MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 4 Denver, Colorado January 1970

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
January 27, 1970
"Southern Arizona Bird Observations"
by Cal Royall
(U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service)
7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

DECEMBER 1969 FIELD TRIPS

December 6 - Castlewood Dam, Elizabeth. Joe & Marion Borden, leaders. (Snow on ground-clear & cold-6 1/2 hrs.) Henry & Vi Bossman, Robert Glover, Margaret Sikes. (25 species)

December 7 - Arsenal, Barr & Mile High Lakes area, Prospect & Horsecreek Res. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, cold, slight wind-8 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Lori Chappell, Jack Reddall. (46 species)

December SPECIES		6 TRAN	7 PLAIN
Horned Grebe	NEW LATE DATE		1)
Western Grebe			1)
Canada Goose			1351
Mallard			20000
Gadwall			10
Pintail			500
Green-winged Teal			4
American Widgeon			300
Redhead			70
Canvasback			30
Common Goldeneye			41
Bufflehead			1
Old-Squaw	CCRes.		1
Ruddy Duck			1
Common Merganser			50
Sharp-shinned Hawk		2	
Rough-legged Hawk		3	8
Ferruginous Hawk		2	
Marsh Hawk			4
Prairie Falcon			1
Sparrow Hawk			2
Ring-necked Pheasant			12
American Coot			2
Killdeer			7
Common Snipe			3
Herring Gull			3
Ring-billed Gull			45
Rock Dove			1
Great Horned Owl			3

December SPECIES	6 TRAN	7 PLAIN
Red-shafted Flicker	3	6
Downy Woodpecker	1	4
Horned Lark	40	655
Steller's Jay	4	
Scrub Jay	3	
Black-billed Magpie	175	53
Common Raven	2	
Black-capped Chickadee	1	12
Pigmy Nuthatch	15	
Robin	1	
Townsend's Solitaire	3	
Northern Shrike	3	
Starling	285	63
House Sparrow	35	134
Western Meadowlark	22	124
Redwinged Blackbird		3650
Rusty Blackbird		8
House Finch	5	3
Pine Siskin	12	12
American Goldfinch	35	33
Red Crossbill	10	
Rufous-sided Towhee	1	
Slate-colored Junco		3
Oregon Junco	2	18
Tree Sparrow		26
Harris' Sparrow		1
White-crowned Sparrow	2	
Song Sparrow		2
Lapland Longspur		1
TOTAL SPECIES	25	46

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS:

Common Loon - 2)on 6th CC Res. JR
Eared Grebe - 1) on 6th CC Res. JR NEW LATE DATE
Western Grebe - 1 on 18th BowMar JC WINTER RECORD
Pied-billed Grebe - 1 on 25th CC Res. JR
Black Duck - 1 on 23rd BowMar VR
Greater Scaup - 2 on 23rd-29th BowMar VR
Bald Eagle - 1 adult on 30th Tinytown JC
1 adult on 31st Castlewood Dam VR
Gyrfalcon - 1 (White phase) on 14th Cripple Creek - Sam Gadd
1 (Gray phase) on 11th Horsecreek Res. - John Linthicum
Peregrine Falcon - 1 on 15th E. Denver NH
Pigeon Hawk - 1 on 18th E. Denver J. Colvin

Sharp-tailed Grouse - 7 on 31st S. of Castlewood Dam - VR,JC,MB
Glaucous Gull - 1 on 14th CC Res. HH, JR
Short-eared Owl - 1 on 25th CC Res. JR
Blue Jay - 1 on 31st Castle Rock VR
Pinon Jay - 1 on 21st Bowles Lake Dan Gallagher
Water Pipit - 1 on 25th CC Res. JR
White-throated Sparrow - 2 on 7th Waterton HK
Fox Sparrow - 2 on 7th Waterton HK
Snow Bunting - 1 on 31st Boulder PJ

) denotes last migrants of season in plains area.

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS:
Merle Barbour, John Cooper, Harold Holt, Nancy Hurley, Paul Julian, Hugh Kingery, Jack Reddall, Van Remsen.

CHRISTMAS COUNTS

All observers provided satisfactory details for the unusual birds. The observations of highly mobile birds were correlated as to time and place, and certain observations by different parties were regarded as duplicate sightings of the same bird. These are noted by a ( ) in the columns. Specifically, 6 reports of Golden Eagles were reduced to 3 birds; 5 Harlan's Hawks to 4; and 6 Prairie Falcons to 3.

The windy weather hampered the counters, and the birds were not as active as they might have been on a calmer day. While water bird totals are up, reflecting the large amount of open water - more than on the usual Christmas Count - most small birds' numbers were less than in previous years.

Noticeable by their lower than average numbers were the following: Steller's Jay, Chickadees, White-breasted and Pigmy Nuthatches, Meadowlark, Blackbirds, Juncos, and Sparrows. On the other hand, certain species showed strikingly high numbers: Magpie, Red-breasted Nuthatch, Robin, Townsend's Solitaire, Starling, and Harris' Sparrow. All these species had the highest totals ever on a Christmas Count.

Most striking rarity was two flocks of White-winged Crossbills, found in the Tinytown area. The birds have been in the foothills near Divide since early October, and were found on at least three of the Colorado Christmas Counts. Other rarities included Black Duck, Brown Thrasher, Pine Grosbeak, Green-tailed Towhee, and Swamp Sparrow.

Other species seen during the count period but not on the count day include Goshawk, Greater Scaup, Bald Eagle, Horned Lark, Pinon Jay, Rusty Blackbird, and Brown-capped Rosy Finch.

DENVER CHRISTMAS COUNT PARTICIPANTS (Leaders underlined):
Area 1 - Red Rocks: Mary Jane Blanpied, Marjorie Clark, Robert Glover, Carole Guenther, Judy Niemann, Donald M. Thatcher, Veda White, Roberta Winn, Vincent Winn.
Area 2 - Lower Bear Creek: Roberta Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Phyllis Caswell, Tim Gates, Sadie Morrison.
Area 3 - BowMar: Harold Holt, Jack Reddall.
Area 4 - Lower South Platte River: Helen Bonnema, Joyce Cooper, John Cooper, Philip Hayes, Van Remsen, Frank Simons.
Area 5 - Middle South Platte River: Lori Chappell, David Hutchinson, Robert A. Spencer.
Area 6 - Upper South Platte River: Blake R. Besser, Jerome Besser, Joseph L. Guarino, C. Edward Knittle, Grace Welch, Jack Welch.
Area 7 - Deer Creek Canyon: Henry Bossman, Vi Bossman, Marie Kolena, Karen Naylor, Bob Toepfer, Gwen Toepfer, Lynn Willcockson.
Area 8 - Turkey Creek Canyon: John Colvin, Ruth Deffenbaugh, Nancy Hurley, Hugh Kingery, Chris Manville, Sue Merrick, Gary White, Karen White.
Area 9 - Tinytown: Libby Goodwin, Lesley Julian, Paul Julian, Elinor Kingery.
Area 10 - Upper Bear Creek and Indian Hills: Winston William Brockner, Evelyn Edens, Bevery Hilty, Steve L. Hilty, Lois Webster, S. O. Williams III.
Area 11 - Willow Springs: Bob Buttery, Douglas Buttery, Becky Cruse, Jim Cruse, Patty Echelmeyer, Nathaniel Messemer, Jane Newcomb, Carol Snow, Mildred Snyder. December 20.
Feeders: Deer Creek - Lloyd Bishop, Aleon DeVore, Lila Kint, Mrs. M'Gillycuddy, Mrs. L. M. McKinney, Mrs. Grant Shafer, Helen Waters.
Turkey Creek - Corinne Cummins, Mrs. Clarence Christensen, Margaret Granzella, Doris & Harold McLaughlin, Mildred Meyer, Mrs. John T. Schoolcraft, Echoe Wiltfong.

DENVER PRE-COUNT PARTICIPANTS (by Area):
Area 1 - Don Thatcher; 2 - Merle Barbour, John Colvin, Sadie Morrison, Ruth Wheeler; 3 - Merle Barbour, Harold Holt, Jack Reddall; 4 - John Cooper, Joyce Cooper, Frank Simons; 5 - Lori Chappell, Winifred Gutherie, Dave Hutchinson,

Robert Spencer, Juanita Swigeart; 6 - John DeGrazio, Joe Guarino, Ed Knittle, Jack Welch; 7 - Henry Bossman, Vi Bossman, Cicely Mellor, Lynn Willcockson; 8 - Nancy Hurley, Hugh Kingery, Gary White, Karen White; 9 - Paul Julian; 10 - Bill Brockner, Sylvia Brockner; 11 - Patty Echelmeyer, Bob Buttery, Mildred Snyder. December 13 & 14

WELDONA-FORT MORGAN PARTICIPANTS:
Mary Jane Blanpied, Lori Chappell, David Hutchinson, Thompson Marsh, Howard Rollin, Donna Thatcher, Donald M. Thatcher. December 22

EVERGREEN-IDAHO SPRINGS PARTICIPANTS:
Sylvia & Winston Brockner, Joyce & John Cooper, Gay Eckes, Mark Eckes, Evelyn Edens, Nancy Edens, Cal & Joe Gibbons, Gloria Huckeby, Margaret Johnson, Hugh Kingery, Donald Malick, Susan & Thompson Marsh, Sadie Morrison, George & Marie Shier, Robert Spencer, Mr. & Mrs. Swanlund, Don & Hazel & Donna Thatcher, Edna Claire Thomas, Van Remsen. December 27

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	F	TOT.	PRE CT.	EV.- ID.	WELD. FT.M
Great Blue Heron			1	4	2								7	3		
Mute Swan			1										1	5		
Canada Goose		227	771	651	2						7		1658	1332		
Mallard		17	966	111	12	11					12		1129	459	7	750
Black Duck			1										1			
Gadwall		16	5	33	4								59	16		
Pintail			40	25		3							68	66		
Green-winged Teal		30	12	3									45	38		
American Widgeon		156	187	26									369	262		
Shoveler			1	4									5	4		
Wood Duck			18										18	19		
Redhead		1	122										123	74		
Ring-necked Duck			24										24	162		
Canvasback			8										8	8		
Lesser Scaup			64	3									67	76		
Common Goldeneye		2	41	9		1	2				4		59	30		
Bufflehead			3	2							1		6	5		
Ruddy Duck			1										1			
Hooded Merganser			7										7	9		
Common Merganser			225	20							13		258	210		
Goshawk															2	
Sharp-shinned Hawk					1	2			1	1			5			
Cooper's Hawk	1												1	2	1	
Red-tailed Hawk				3	1	3	1	1	1		4		14	4	1	1
Harlan's Hawk				1	1	(1)	1				1		4	4		
Rough-legged Hawk						2	1						3	1		
Unidentified Buteo				2									2			
Golden Eagle	1								(1)		2		3	1	2	3
Bald Eagle														1		
Marsh Hawk						1							1	1		4
Prairie Falcon	1	1		1	(1)						(1)		3	1		
Sparrow Hawk		3	2	2	2						2		11	4		
Blue Grouse									1				1			
Ring-necked Pheasant			3	7	1	3	2				7		23	3		
American Coot			104										104	113		
Killdeer		10		6	4	2							22	6		
Common Snipe		11	8	5	4						5		33	20		1
Herring Gull			5										5	66		
Ring-billed Gull			606	110							10		726	108		
Rock Dove		16	60		101	120	8			13	190		508	691		
Great Horned Owl							1						1	1		1
Long-eared Owl														4		2
Saw-Whet Owl															1	
Belted Kingfisher			1	1	2	3							7	9	1	
Red-shafted Flicker	4	7	15	25	9	18	2	2		7	8	8	105	63	3	5
Yellow-shafted Flicker														1		
Hairy Woodpecker								5				15	20	2	7	
Downy Woodpecker		2		6	2	2	1	4		1		21	39	9	4	1
Horned Lark																140
Gray Jay															8	
Blue Jay														1		
Steller's Jay	1					1	7	30	24	55		171	289	50	92	
Scrub Jay	2					9	3		2	2	1	1	20	7		
Black-billed Magpie	2	119	93	170	80	59	34	11	7	24	105	24	728	357	32	33
Common Raven						9		2	1		6	4	22	5	10	
Common Crow					6	15		2		2		12	37	11	16	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	F	TOT.	PRE CT.	EV. ID.	WELD FT.M
Clark's Nutcracker															18	
Black-capped Chickadee	1		4	23	11	35	5	16	3	4	4	52	158	80	15	8
Mountain Chickadee							20	87	53	5	2	64	231	68	67	
Common Bushtit						14							14			
White-breasted Nuthatch							1	13	3	1		20	38	1	4	
Red-breasted Nuthatch							1	47	13	2	2	11	76	28	3	
Pigmy Nuthatch								36	4	25		105	170	47	58	
Brown Creeper				3				10	1	1		2	17	2	2	
Dipper						1				11	2		14	4	14	
Canon Wren	2					2					1		5	1		
Mockingbird														1		
Brown Thrasher				1									1		1	
Robin	140		11	3	28	400	56	72	52	90	211	3	1066	548	102	
Townsend's Solitaire	13					36	8	12	14	16	18		117	46	18	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2							1				2	5	4	2	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet						2							2			
Water Pipit		8											8			
Cedar Waxwing						36					1		37			
Northern Shrike			1	2				2		1		1	7	1	2	
Starling		45	124	449	103	28	15			70	170		1004	591	14	1000
House Sparrow		14	41	163	4		30				75		327	347		200
Western Meadowlark			5				1						6	29		11
Redwinged Blackbird		175	174	61	2		104						516	118		825
Rusty Blackbird														6		
Brewer's Blackbird		3		13								15	31	18		2000
Evening Grosbeak															200	
Cassin's Finch		1										2	3	2	2	
House Finch	3	23	9	249	30	25		4		27	55		425	222		12
Pine Grosbeak								6					6		12	
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	97												97		205	
Black Rosy Finch		3											3		6	
Brown-capped Rosy Finch															6	
Unid. Rosy Finch		45											45	22		
Common Redpoll					1								1	1	6	
Pine Siskin	3	9			41	350		2		2		50	457	182	30	1
American Goldfinch		5	1	49		145	1	2					203	101	1	
White-winged Crossbill								40	35				75		16	
Red Crossbill							5	3					8	8	38	
Green-tailed Towhee		1											1			
Rufous-sided Towhee	3	1		1	4	1	1				1		12	1		
White-winged Junco								36	5	5		28	74	4	36	
Slate-colored Junco	2	2	4	18	1	14	2	3	1	5	2	73	127	72	12	1
Oregon Junco	24	6	23	51	1	48	31	7	3	57	9	43	303	97	114	10
Gray-headed Junco	6	1		2	1	13		28	4	18	23	57	153	24	22	
Tree Sparrow		7	9	5	10	1	4						36	25		9
Harris' Sparrow		15	3		7	5	2				8		40	27		
White-crowned Sparrow		8				2	2					2	14	1		
White-throated Sparrow						2							2	2		
Fox Sparrow					1	2							3	2		
Swamp Sparrow											1		1			
Song Sparrow		6	8	31	5	15	1			2	1		69	36		6
Lapland Longspur																1
Total Species	21	33	44	42	34	41	31	28	21	26	36	25	92	85	44	24
Total Individuals	311	993		2354		1442		484		447	964		12,656			
			3812		485		353		228			786		7,093		

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife is conducting, during January, a survey of Starling/Blackbird roosts. If you know of any, contact Hugh Kingery, 733-0351 with the information to turn in to the federal bureau. Roosts would include not only trees or buildings where the birds roost, but also the many billboards in the Denver area where the birds spend the night.

NEW MEMBERS:

Mrs. Carolyn Briese - 650 Krameria - Denver 80220

ADDRESS CHANGE:

Mr. & Mrs. W. Duke Johnson - 7029 Van Gordon Ct. - Arvada 80002

Harold Holt - 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102 - Denver 80204 - Phone 266-0844

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

Those desiring to participate in a rare bird alert, please contact Betty Johns, 615 S. Alton Way, Denver 80231, phone 343-8833 or Patty Echelmeyer, 2695 Newland St., Denver 80214, phone 233-4947.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - FEBRUARY 1970

February 1, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet at North parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Nancy Hurley, ldr.*

7, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Castlewood Dam, Elizabeth & Franktown. Meet as on Feb. 1. Joe & Marion Borden, leaders. *

8, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day.

14, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Feb. 1. Harold Holt, leader. *

15, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Meet at Evergreen Post Office. Bill & Sylvia Brockner, leaders. *

21, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek, Turkey Creek and area lakes. Meet as on Feb. 8. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

22, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Feb. 1. Jack Welch, leader. *

28, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Jackson Lake & Muir Springs. Meet as on Feb.1. Jack Reddall, leader. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. Please note address and phone change. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * *

1970 DUES NOW PAYABLE

Regular membership in the Denver Field Ornithologists is $4.00 per year. For information about other types of memberships, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401. Phone 279-1990.

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS
OF THE
Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 5 Denver, Colorado February 1970

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
February 24, 1970
Recent Colorado Bird Slides
by Harold Holt

7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

JANUARY 1970 FIELD TRIPS

January 3 - Castle Rock & Castlewood Dam. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Cold, snow on ground-8 hrs.) Bob Andrews, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Patty Echelmeyer, Dave Hutchinson, Jane Newcomb, Jack Reddall, Van Remsen, Bob Spencer, Gary & Karen White.(32 sp.)

4 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Cold, windy, partly cloudy turning to snow- 6 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Karen & Gary White. (21 species)

10 - Arsenal, Barr Lake, Horsecreek Reservoir. Harold Holt, leader. (Partly cloudy,34°-53°-9 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Joyce & John Cooper, Gary & Karen white, LaVona Wicks, Jack Reddall. (37 sp.)

17 - Sloan's Lake, Maple Grove Res., Lower Bear Creek & Morrison. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Cloudy & foggy, damp, freezing-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Bob & Rosa Brace, Juanita Craig, Mary Jane Schock, Bob Spencer, Ruth Wheeler. (41 species)

18 - Prewitt Res., Jackson Res., Muir Springs. Jack Reddall, leader. (Heavy fog then partly cloudy, haze-10 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Harold Holt. (43 species)

24 - BowMar, Marston. Merle Barbour & Jane Newcomb, leaders. (Warm, windy-6 1/2 hrs.) Doris Anderson, Christine Bonney, Vi Bossman, Lori Chappell, Bertha Durfee, Patty Echelmeyer, Thompson Marsh, Sadie Morrison, Evelyn Edens and Ken Kirkwood of Evergreen.(34 sp.)

25 - Barr Lake, Mile High area. Jack & Grace Welch, leaders. (Bright, windy-8 1/2 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Ruth Deffenbaugh, Robert Glover, Nancy Hurley. (34 species)

31 - Empire, Georgetown, Echo Lake. George Shier, leader. (Clear, mild-5 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Laurene Berger, Christine Bonney, Lorraine Chappell, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Haluska, Elinor Kingery, Thompson Marsh, Susan Marsh, Jack Reddall, Mary Robinson. (22 species)

January	3	4	10	17	17	18	24	25	31
SPECIES	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
Great Blue Heron						1			
Mute Swan							4		
Canada Goose			950	97		40	123	800	
Mallard			6000	105		6700	52	2000	
Gadwall				2				200	
Pintail			30	2		60	16	200	
Green-winged Teal						3		6	
American Widgeon				2		25	15	3	
Shoveler				350				150	
Wood Duck							4		
Redhead							20		
Ring-necked Duck				26			15		
Greater Scaup							1		
Lesser Scaup				5			4		
Common Goldeneye			2	3		32	22	5	
Hooded Merganser							2		

January	3	4	10	17	17	18	24	25	31
SPECIES	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
Common Merganser			1	2		220	4	1	
Red-tailed Hawk	4		1			7	1		
Harlan's Hawk			1			1			
Rough-legged Hawk	2	7	14			11		7	
Ferruginous Hawk		2							
Golden Eagle	1	11						1	
Bald Eagle-Platteville	(1a-4imm)	5	4(1a-3imm)			7	(4a-3imm)		
Marsh Hawk		6	4			2	1	4	
Prairie Falcon	1	1	2					2	
Pigeon Hawk		1	1 on 5th S. Denver RG				1		
Sparrow Hawk			1	2	1	5			
Blue Grouse									2
Ring-necked Pheasant		8	16	1		1		11	
American Coot				2				2	
Killdeer				2		3		1	
Common Snipe			1	4		7			
Glaucous Gull						1			
Herring Gull			3			6			
Ring-billed Gull				5		1			
Black-legged Kittiwake	* SEE NOTE								
Rock Dove				10		37	3	6	
Great Horned Owl		1	1					3	
Belted Kingfisher					1				
Red-shafted Flicker	5	1	6	3	3	20	4	7	
Hairy Woodpecker	4		1						
Downy Woodpecker	1	2	6			4		3	1
Horned Lark	2	1000	403			46	5		
Gray Jay									2
Blue Jay						2			
Steller's Jay	3				3				26
Scrub Jay					1				
Black-billed Magpie		30	107	19	18	73	7	50	6
Common Raven							1		5
Common Crow						4	32		
Clark's Nutcracker									6
Black-capped Chickadee	26		22	4	3	17	13	8	1
Mountain Chickadee	12				1				20
White-breast.Nuthatch	4					Castlewood - HH,JR-2			
Red-breasted Nuthatch	11								7
Pigmy Nuthatch	30					Castlewood HH,JR- 12			
Brown Creeper		1 on 11th S. Denver RG							1
Dipper					2		2Waterton		1
Long-billed Marsh Wren						1			
Canon Wren	1						1 Waterton		
Robin					10		3		12
Townsend's Solitaire	8				2		4		1
Golden-crowned Kinglet						Castlewood HH,JR		2	
Northern Shrike	1	2	2		1	2	1		
Starling		8	348	2	6	9	24	75	
House Sparrow	122	12	228	50		42	11	50	8
Western Meadowlark		4	79			19		100	
Redwinged Blackbird			2217	150		480	15	800	
Rusty Blackbird						45			
Brewer's Blackbird				75					
Common Grackle							Lakewood	1 PE	
Evening Grosbeak									5
House Finch	15		6		20	5	21	10	
Gray-crown.Rosy Finch	200								200
Black Rosy Finch	4								1
Brown-capped Rosy Finch	1								
Common Redpoll		309	16						
Pine Siskin	31		54					8	
American Goldfinch		1	18			8	2	15	
Red Crosbill	75						Castlewood	40	HH,JR
White-winged Crossbill		2	Tiny Town J&JC						
Rufous-sided Towhee	2								
White-winged Junco	2		1	1	1				
Slate-colored Junco	3				2	3		2	3
Oregon Junco	15		8	3	16	91		7	6
Gray-headed Junco	2			2	2			2	1
Tree Sparrow	17	50	35	1		37		10	
Harris' Sparrow	1			10		2			
White-crowned Sparrow			4	3		2			

January	3	4	10	17	17	18	24	25	31
SPECIES	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	TRAN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
Song Sparrow	1		5	1		14	1	8	
Lapland Longspur		3	1						
TOTAL SPECIES 91	32	21	37	31	18	43	34	34	22

* On January 1, 1970, Jack Reddall and I were at Cherry Creek Reservoir. About noon we were observing a small concentration of ducks and gulls around a small area of open water approximately 300 yds. from shore, when I noticed a smaller gull with a black spot behind the eye and a dark bar on the nape. Recognizing it as an immature Black-legged Kittiwake, we proceeded out on the ice with our 15 x 60 scopes for closer observation. We approached to within 100 yds. and observed the bird bathing and stretching its wings showing the black tips and tail tipped with black and slightly forked, leaving no doubt as to identification. After watching it for an hour, we decided to contact other members of D. F. O. Many members were able to observe the bird both that afternoon and the next day. This is only the second positive record for this species in Colorado.

Harold R. Holt

Correction: In the list of participants for the Evergreen-Idaho Springs Christmas Count the following names were inadvertently omitted---Christine Bonney, Bob Buttery, Douglas Buttery, John Colvin, Ann Corbridge, Patty Echelmeyer, Tim Gates, Reed Kelley. Sorry about that, folks.

Attention Members:

Those desiring to participate in a Rare Bird Alert please contact- Betty Johns, 615 S. Alton Way, 80231, phone 343-8833 or Patty Echelmeyer, 2695 Newland St., 80214, phone 233-4947

ANNUAL STATEMENT

Denver Field Ornithologists - 1969 Summary

Assets-		
Savings Account 1-1-69	$ 1,335.28	
Savings Account interest in 1969	54.22	
Balance-Cash & Checking Account-1-1-69	151.57	
Receipts 1969	1,151.82	
Total Assets	$ 2,692.89	
Liabilities-		
Savings Account 1-1-70		$ 1,389.50
Balance-Cach & Checking Account 1-1-70		130.62
Publishing Bulletins & Lists		376.04
Contributions, Honorariums		70.00
Convention Costs		663.79
Miscellaneous Expense		62.94
Total Liabilities		$ 2,692.89

January 12, 1970

George R. Shier, Treasurer

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS TO MONTHLY REPORT: John & Joyce Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Robert Glover, Harold Holt, Jack Reddall.

NEW MEMBERS:

Betty J. Balsiger - 635 S. Clinton, Apt. 3B - Denver 80231
R. D. Brace & Rosa Lee Brace - 13111 W. Ohio Ave. - Denver 80228.986-6223
Doublas Buttery - 970 S. Arbutus - Denver 80228
Dr. Ward Chadwick - 1085 Lafayette, Apt. 405 - Denver 80218
Helen Crisman - 1700 Bahama St. - Aurora 80010
Mr. & Mrs. Beverly B. Jones - 4400 E. Oxford Pl. - Englewood 80110
George McFall, Jr. - Thomas Hall, Box 46 - Golden 80401
Margaret Selser - 2250 S. Madison - Denver 80210

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Mr. & Mrs. Henry G. Bossman - 3401 S. Emerson, #201 - Englewood 80110 Phone 781-6855
Floyd Pendell - 9019 E. Nassau Ave. - Denver 80237

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS:

Spring will soon be here and all the birds nesting though it may not seem that way at the moment. Even now the great horned owls are sitting on eggs. Think nests when you are out so that we can send Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology a better report for 1970 than we did in 1969.

Nancy Hurley

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - MARCH 1970

March 1, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet at North parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

7, Saturday, 8:45 AM. Boulder area (probably Chukars). Meet at Fairview High School, Base Line Road & 60th St. Paul Julian, leader. Phone, 443-6133. Christine Bonney will be at W. 25th & Sheridan at 8:00 AM to lead those who wish to go in a group to the Boulder meeting place. *

8, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Snowshoe trip to Upper Bear Creek and the State Elk Management Area. Meet at W. 25th & Sheridan. Vincent Winn, ldr.*

14, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Mar. 1. Harold Holt, leader. *

15, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on March 1. Ray Olson, leader. *

21, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek and Turkey Creek and area lakes. Meet as on March 8. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

22, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Waterton. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, Englewood, corner of U. S. 285 & S. Logan St. Hugh Kingery, leader.*

28, Saturday, 8:00 AM. BowMar, Marston Lake, Red Rocks. Meet as on March 22. Lynn Willcockson, leader. *

29, Easter Sunday. No trip.

* BRING LUNCH

* * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. Please note address and phone change. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * *

1970 DUES NOW PAYABLE

Regular membership in the Denver Field Ornithologists is $4.00 per year. For information about other types of memberships, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401. Phone 279-1990.

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 6 Denver, Colorado March 1970

Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
March 24, 1970
Waters and Wildlife
by Roy Coy
Director, Denver Museum of Natural History

7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

C O N T E S T

We would like a new name for the monthly report. Here is a chance for all members to participate in the selection of a new name. Maybe you can't attend all meetings or go on field trips, but you can contribute by sending in a name, or as many names as you can think of. Keep in mind the type of organization, area we serve, and the fact this report includes more than just the monthly field observations. Remember, the contest is open only to members, and no box tops are necessary! Your suggestions for the new name should be mailed now to:

Contest Committee
c/o Patty Echelmeyer
2695 Newland St.
Denver, Colo. 80214

FEBRUARY 1970 FIELD TRIPS

February 1 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Partly cloudy, extremely windy-6 hrs.) Valerie Hadley, Barbara & Bob Korpi, Cicely Mellor, Gary & Karen White. (12 species)

7 - Castlewood Dam & Elizabeth. Margaret Sikes, leader. (Clear, mild, calm-6 hrs.) Doris Anderson, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Mrs. Burger, Lori Chappell, Pat Echelmeyer, Robert Glover, Deatt Hudson, Elinor Kingery, Mr. & Mrs. Thompson Marsh, Mr. & Mrs. Randolph McDonough, Cicely Mellor, Sadie Morrison.(24 spec.)

8 - Red Rocks & Morrison. Donald Thatcher, leader. (Fair,mild-4hrs) Mr. & Mrs. Brace, Dr. Ward Chadwick, Lori Chappell, Ray Howe, Mrs. Berenice Merry, Mr. & Mrs. Radetsky & Elizabeth, Vito Tursi (13 species)

14 - Arsenal, Barr & Mile Hi Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, calm, 50°-9 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, John Cooper, LaVona Holt, Jack Reddall, Mary Jane Schock, Bob Spencer. (48 species)

15 - Evergreen, Guanella Pass, Idaho Springs. Winston & Sylvia Brockner, leaders. (Clear, 12°-8 1/2 hrs.) John Cooper, Evelyn Edens, Kay Edens, LaVonne Heyen, Ken Kirkwood, Ron Lestina. (28 species)

21 - Red Rocks, Lower Bear Creek & area Lakes. Saddie Morrison, ldr. (30° to 50°+-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Ron & Patsy Lestina, Mary Robinson, Mildred Snyder. (35 species)

22 - Barr & Mile High Lakes. Jack & Grace Welch, leaders. (Bright, warm-8 hrs.) Bill & Sylvia Brockner, Dr. Chadwick, Robert Glover, Carolyn, Glenn & Elizabeth Haluska, Nancy Hurley, Sue Merrick, Richard & Barbara Pillmore, Leslie & Priscilla Robinette. (42 species)

28 - Muir Springs, Jackson Reservoir, S. Platte R. at Goodrich. Jack Reddall, leader. (Partly cloudy, 30°-50°-10 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, Harold & LaVona Holt, Susan & Thompson Marsh, Mr. & Mrs. Randolf McDonough, Cicely Mellor,

- Sadie Morrison. (56 species)

February	1	7	8	14	15	21	21	22	28
AREA	PAWN	ELIZ	RR	BARR	EVER	BEAR	MORR	BARR	JACK
HABITAT	PLAIN	FOOT	FOOT	PLAIN	MTS	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES									
Great Blue Heron				1					1
Canada Goose				200		36		250	500
Mallard				2152		56		800	3500
Gadwall				44				50	3
Pintail				213		1		300	125
Green-winged Teal				10		2		35	10
American Widgeon				1		1		25	1
Shoveler				6		2		75	
Redhead				18		128		75	200
Ring-necked Duck						5		1	
Canvasback				4					5
Lesser Scaup				2					4
Common Goldeneye				27					7
Barrow's Goldeneye	2 on 9th Estes Park ML								
Common Merganser				3				50	36
Goshawk	1 on 23rd Squaw Mtn. JR								
Sharp-shinned Hawk									1
Cooper's Hawk	1 on 4th Lakewood PE						1		
Red-tailed Hawk		2		3	1	2		4	4
Harlan's Hawk		1(CC Res.)		2				2	
Rough-legged Hawk	4	1		13				4	5
Ferruginous Hawk	2			1					1
Golden Eagle	1				1				1
Bald Eagle				1 imm		23 (14 imm 9 Ad) / Jackson & Prewit Res. JR			9 Ad
Marsh Hawk	2	1		6				5	3
Prairie Falcon			1	1				2	
Pigeon Hawk									1
Sparrow Hawk		1		2		4		1	2
White-tailed Ptarmigan					8				
Bobwhite									12
Ring-necked Pheasant	2			4				19	2
Virginia Rail								heard	2
American Coot				6				4	
Common Snipe						5			2
Herring Gull				7					15
Ring-billed Gull				53					52
Rock Dove		5	50	3		8	10	12	50
Mourning Dove	7 on 20th Platteville ML							1	
Screech Owl								heard	1
Great Horned Owl	1			2				6	1
Short-eared Owl	1 on 20th Latham Res. ML								
Belted Kingfisher					1				1
Yellow-shafted Flicker						1 Prewit Res. JR			
Red-shafted Flicker	1	3	3	11		2	4	11	23
Hairy Woodpecker					1			1	
Downy Woodpecker		1		4				2	3
Horned Lark	1000	8		109				150	63
Gray Jay	5 on 15th Loveland Pass HH								
Blue Jay									2
Steller's Jay		6			9		4		
Scrub Jay		13	5				1		
Black-billed Magpie	12	18	2	76	6	30	3	23	40
Common Raven		2			5				
Common Crow			1		20				3
Clark's Nutcracker	5 on 9th Estes Park ML								
Black-capped Chickadee			1	14	4	3	6	12	35
Mountain Chickadee		2			12				
White-breasted Nuthatch					1				1
Red-breasted Nuthatch		2			1	2 on 25th Lakewood JC			
Pigmy Nuthatch		2			4				
Brown Creeper			1 on 26th Denver LM					1	
Dipper			2				3		
Long-billed Marsh Wren									1
Canon Wrean			3				1		
Mockingbird		1 Waterton JR							
Brown Thrasher					1				
Robin		2	15			12	4	1	8
Mountain Bluebird					(7			1	

February	1	7	8	14	15	21	21	22	28
AREA	PAWN	ELIZ	RR	BARR	EVER	BEAR	MORR	BARR	JACK
HABITAT	PLAIN	FOOT	FOOT	PLAIN	MTS	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES									
Townsend's Solitaire		3	6				10		
Water Pipit				1	1 on 23rd Barr MS				
Bohemian Waxwing	30 on 28th Idaho Springs NH								
Cedar Waxwing	1 on 9th Aurora MS			8 on 25th Lakewood JC					
Northern Shrike		1	1	2					3
Starling		3		59		30	8	26	75
House Sparrow	3	1		95	5	11		8	67
Western Meadowlark	6	3		78		6		148	15
Redwinged Blackbird				789		4		300	850
Rusty Blackbird									2
Brewer's Blackbird									50
Common Grackle	1 on 2nd Lakewood PE								
Cassin's Finch					2				
House Finch				2	2		22	20	31
Pine Grosbeak	2 on 23rd Squaw Mtn. JR								
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch					140				
Black Rosy Finch					2				
Brown-capped Rosy Finch					8				
Common Redpoll	50			2					12
Pine Siskin		7			4				15
American Goldfinch				14				35	23
Red Crossbill					6				
Rufous-sided Towhee							3		
White-winged Junco					4	1	2		
Slate-colored Junco				2	1		2	2	
Oregon Junco			10	7	2	26	2	4	9
Gray-headed Junco				1	2		5	1	
Tree Sparrow				26				24	47
Harris' Sparrow	1 imm on 11th Lakewood (SINGING)H&ET					4			1
White-crowned Sparrow				1	8 on 20th Platteville ML				
White-throated Sparrow	1 imm 12/21 to 19th Lakewood H&ET							1	
Fox Sparrow	1 on 10th & Daily Lakewood BN							1	
Song Sparrow		1		11		4		3	31
Lapland Longspur				47				1 CC	Res.JR
TOTAL SPECIES 102	12	24	13	48	28	24	19	42	56

(denotes first migrants of season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: John Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Harold Holt, Nancy Hurley, Marjorie Lett, Lillian McDonough, Bernice Royce, Jack Reddall, Mildred Snyder, Henry & Emily Tefft.

NEW MEMBER: Mrs. Richard P. Fischer - 8085 W. 4th Ave. - Lakewood 80226

ADRESS CHANGE: Sallie Griffin - 825 S. Quebec #308 - Denver 80222
Juanita Swigeart - 1628 S. Locust St. - Denver 80222

RARE BIRD ALERT PROGRAM now in effect. Anyone seeing any bird considered very rare call either -

Mildred Snyder 366-7610
Harold Holt 266-0844

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS:
I've got 3 nests already. How many have you got?! Send your records to- Nancy Hurley

---

FILLERS OF INTEREST NEEDED:
Every month we have space left over in this report that we would like to fill with your interesting experiences with birds. You have at one time or another seen a bird do something it isn't supposed to do, or conversely not do something that is typical. For instance, although I had read the Warbling Vireo does not decorate the exterior of its nest as other vireos, we saw one that used facial tissues. It is supposed to be typical of Lewis' Woodpeckers that they flycatch at times, but it was five years before we saw one do that. Information you send in can vary from a few lines to a half page or full page. Then as space permits each one will be printed. Send your notes to: Jean White, 2640 S. Hazel Ct., Denver, Colo. 80219.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - APRIL 1970

April 4, Saturday, 4:00 PM. To Kittredge for Saw-whet Owls. Meet at 25th & Sheridan to go to O'Fallon Park to meet Don Malick at 5:45 PM. Elinor Kingery, leader. Take supper.

5, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. John Cooper, leader. *

11 & 12, Saturday & Sunday. Overnight camping trip to see strutting Greater Prairie Chickens near Laird, Colo. Meet at 1:00 PM as on April 5. Ray Olson, leader.

18, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek, Turkey Creek, Willow Springs Ranch and area lakes. Meet as on April 4. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

19, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on April 5. Henry & Vi Bossman, leaders. *

25, Saturday, 5:00 AM. Waterton. A walking trip to look for warblers. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, Englewood, corner of US 285 & S. Logan St. Hugh Kingery, leader. *

26, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on April 5. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. Please note address and phone change. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

DUES DEADLINE

All members who have not paid their dues by April 1 will be dropped from the mailing list. Dues are due on January 1 of each year and are $4.00 for regular membership. For other types of membership, contact the Treasurer:

George Shier
Rt. 1, Box 821
Golden, Colo. 80401
phone 279-1990

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

DENVER COLO MAR 18 '70 U.S. POSTAGE .06 PB METER 1874262

Mrs. Christine Bonney
1460 Jasmine Street
Apartment O
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS
OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 7 Denver, Colorado April 1970

Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
April 28, 1970
Plumages and Moults
by Donald M. Thatcher

7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

NEWSLETTER - NAME - NOTES

Help choose a heading for our bulletin. (The Fort Collins Bird Club is now publishing "The Ptarmigan".) Vote for one of the following, sign your name and send it by May 1 to:

Contest Committee
c/o Patty Echelmeyer
2695 Newland St.
Denver, Colo. 80214

1 - Keep it as it is
2 - Mountain Bluebird
3 - Lark Bunting
4 - Magpie
5 - Dipper
6 - Denver Flyway
7 - Mile Hi Flyway
8 - Wing-Tips
9 - Bird-Watch
10 - Mile Hi Wings

MARCH 1970 FIELD TRIPS

March 1 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Partly cloudy, wind & temperature moderate-6 hrs.) Patty Echelmeyer, Robert Glover, Jane Kragh, Helen Stiles, Sandy Williams. (25 species)

7 - Boulder, Sullivan Ranch, Sawhill Lakes, Valmont Res. Paul Julian, leader. (Clear, 50°-60°-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, Jack Fuller, Libby Goodwin, Forbes Julian, Thompson & Susan Marsh, Sadie Morrison, Vito Tursi. (35 species)

8 - Little Cub Creek, Evergreen; Elk Management Area, Upper Bear Creek. Vincent Winn, leader. (Partly cloudy, warm-5 1/2 hrs.) William & Sylvia Brockner, Nancy Hurley, Roberta Winn. (21 species)

14 - Barr & Mile High Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, 30°-55°-9hrs.) Betty Balsiger, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Henry & Vi Bossman, Dr. Ward Chadwick, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, LaVona Holt, Thompson & Susan Marsh, Sadie Morrison, Ray Olson, Nickie Plyier, Jack Reddall, Mary Jane Shock. (51 species)

15 - Barr Lake area. Ray Olson, leader. (Cloudy,cool to cold & windy-6 hrs.) Robert Glover, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Pillmore, Monya Powell, Mary Robinson. (42 species)

21 - Lower Bear Creek, Willow Springs, Area Lakes. Sadie Morrison,leader. (Sunny,light wind,30°-48°-7 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Henry & Vi Bossman, John Colvin, John & Joyce Cooper, Winifred Guthrie, Juanita Swigeart. (55 species)

22 - Waterton. Hugh Kingery, leader. (Sunny,warm,clear-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Ruth Defenbaugh, Patty Echelmeyer, Robert Glover, Glenn & Carolyn Haluska, Nancy Hurley, Helen Stiles, Vincent Winn. (33 spec.)

28 - Marston Lake area, Red Rocks area. Lynn Willcockson, leader. (Clear to partly cloudy,20°-45°-8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, John & Joyce Cooper, Libby Goodman, June Rynders, Bob Spencer, Elizabeth & Barbara & Brett Willcockson. (56 species)

March	1	7	8	14	15	21	21	22	28	28
AREA	PAWN	BLDR	EVER	BARR	BARR	BEAR	MORR	WATER	BOW	RR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT
SPECIES										
Horned Grebe			(1 Marston Res. HH NEW EARLY RECORD						8	
Western Grebe		(2	NEW EARLY RECORD							
Great Blue Heron				(3	6	1			2	
Mute Swan									4	
Canada Goose		32		75	8	97		2	75	
Mallard	8	35		2800	150	80			72	
Gadwall		9		220	60	14			26	
Pintail		40		1000	300	12			11	
Green-winged Teal		25		69	20	11			12	
Cinnamon Teal	(3 on 17th CC Res. TM									
American Widgeon		10		85	10	22			7	
Shoveler		1		500	80	8			6	
Wood Duck									5	
Redhead	55	150		100	35	263			32	
Ring-necked Duck		35		16		6			11	
Canvasback		1		1	6	4			3	
Greater Scaup									3	
Lesser Scaup	2	30		95	40	2			22	
Common Goldeneye		2		30	6	4			6	
Barrow's Goldeneye									2	
Bufflehead		2		3		6			2	
Common Merganser	26			43	22				33	
Red-breasted Merganser									(7	
Sharp-shinned Hawk							1			
Red-tailed Hawk	2	3		3	2	2	1	2	8	
Harlan's Hawk					1	1		1)Arsenal HH		
Rough-legged Hawk	13	1		7	12	1		1	1	
Golden Eagle	5						4	4		
Marsh Hawk	4			3	3			1		
Prairie Falcon	1			1				1		
Pigeon Hawk	1 on 16th CC RES. TM									
Sparrow Hawk	1	1		2	2	5	1		1	
Ring-necked Pheasant	1	5		5	7	1		2	3	
Chukar		3								
Sandhill Crane				(1 NEW EARLY RECORD						
American Coot		1		11	16	4			35	
Killdeer	1			5	2	5		1	3	
Common Snipe				1		3			1	
Herring Gull				1						
Ring-billed Gull		1		52	8	7	2		34	
Rock Dove		70		7		15	9	2	75	100
Mourning Dove					1 S Denver LM				1	
Great Horned Owl	5			2						
Long-eared Owl		2			1					
Short-eared Owl					1 CC Res. JR					
Belted Kingfisher				3	1			1		
Red-shafted Flicker	1	15	1	12	11	4	15	6	3	1
Lewis' Woodpecker		1								
Hairy Woodpecker			1	3	2					
Downy Woodpecker			1	3	7	2	2	2	1	
Horned Lark	2226			36	12					
Blue Jay									1	
Steller's Jay			5				14			
Scrub Jay							3	4 (Tr.)		4
Black-billed Magpie	54	30		45	60	35	6	24	16	3
Common Raven							2	2		
Common Crow			1			2	2	25	4	
Black-capped Chickadee	2			15	14	2	2	14		3
Mountain Chickadee			15				2			
Red-breasted Nuthatch			3							
Pigmy Nuthatch			11							
Brown Creeper			3	1						
Dipper			3				3			2
Canon Wren										4
Brown Thrasher								1		
Robin		5	32	4	52	7	102	29	23	34
Mountain Bluebird	34					72		10	16	
Townsend's Solitaire			1				3	3 (Tr.)		3
Golden-crowned Kinglet			1							
Bohemian Waxwing			35							
Northern Shrike	2			1						

March	1	7	8	14	15	21	21	22	28	28
AREA	PAWN	BLDR	EVER	BARR	BARR	BEAR	MORR	WATER	BOW	RR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT
SPECIES										
Loggerhead Shrike										1
Starling	14	150		72	100	75	34	15	17	
House Sparrow	11	9		35	100	16			15	
Western Meadowlark	28	50		85	70	32		1	12	
Yellow-headed Blackbird						(1 Barr LW				
Redwinged Blackbird		200		1400	400	35		3	13	
Brewer's Blackbird				1						
Cassin's Finch			7					1		
House Finch				29	20	4	5	2	17	
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch										250
Black Rosy Finch										50
Common Redpoll	2 on 12th CC Res. TM									
Pine Siskin			10			51		4		
American Goldfinch				12	45			2		
White-winged Crosbill			20							
Rufous-sided Towhee						2				4
White-winged Junco			10			1	2			1
Slate-colored Junco		4	1	3	4	2	2	2		
Oregon Junco	1	1	1	20	26	55	44	144	1	5
Gray-headed Junco			3				1	10		4
Tree Sparrow	18	12		31	20	7		14		
Harris' Sparrow						1		4		
White-crowned Sparrow				1	2	3				
Song Sparrow		16		12	2	4		14	1	2
*Ferruginous Hawk	6									
TOTAL SPECIES 95	24	35	21	51	42	45	25	33	45	17

(First of the season
)Last of the season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Harold Holt, Lillian McDonaugh, Thompson Marsh, Jack Reddall, Lois Webster

NEW MEMBERS: Mrs. Richard Lee Harshman - 7 Corona St. - Denver 80218
Jeffery Hughey - 9365 W. 11th Ave. - Lakewood 80215
Vivian L. Pliler - 1650 Paris - Aurora 80010

RARE BIRD ALERT: Those participating in this should please notify your "circle" leader if you are going to be out of town for more than 3 days. Report very rare birds to -

Mildred Snyder 366-7610 or
Harold Holt 266-0844

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS:

Golden Eagles and Magpies are carrying nesting material. What have you seen? Keep good notes for the Cornell Nesting Record Program.

Nancy Hurley

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * * * * * * * * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401. Phone 279-1990.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - MAY 1970

May 2, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

3, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Latham & Milton Reservoirs. Meet as on May 2. Marjorie Lett, leader. Don Thatcher will lead the trip from the Museum to arrive at the Letts' house at Platteville at about 8:30. *

9, Saturday. Spring Count, Christmas count style. We will cover the same area we cover on the Denver Christmas Count.

Area	Leader	Time & Meeting place
Red Rocks	Don Thatcher	Call leader, 455-7479
Bear Creek	Sadie Morrison	6:00 AM-King Soopers, Bear Valley, Hampden at Sheridan
BowMar & Lower South Platte	Harold Holt	6:00 AM-Dry Cr. Shopping Center, U.S. 285 at S. Logan
Middle S. Platte	Bob Spencer	7:00 AM. " (Please call leader, 279-4682
Upper S. Plate	Jack Welch	6:00 AM. "
Deer Creek	Lynn Willcockson	Please call leader, 757-7000
Turkey Creek	Hugh Kingery	6:00 AM.-Dry Cr. Shopping Center
Upper Bear Cr.	Bill Brockner	7:00 AM.-Evergreen post office
Willow Springs	Patty Echelmeyer	Call leader, 233-4947

10, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 Day

16, Saturday, Statewide Spring Count. If you really need more information call Patty Echelmeyer 233-4947.

17, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on May 2. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

23, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek. Sadie Morrison, leader. Meet as on 10th. *

24, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on May 2. Jack Welch, leader. *

30, Saturday, Memorial Day. 7:00 AM. Buckhorn Cr. & nearby lakes west of Loveland. Meet as on May 23. David Hutchinson, leader. *

31, Sunday, 7:15 AM. Evergreen area. Meet Dry Creek Shopping Center, U. S. 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Bill Brockner, leader. Doris Anderson will lead the trip from Denver to arrive at Evergreen post office at about 8:00 AM. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * * * * *

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 8 May 1970

Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
May 26, 1970
"Batswana Birds and Ecology"
by Donald Malick
of the Denver Museum of Natural History

7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

We wish to thank all of you who participated in the CONTEST to change the name of the monthly report, either by submitting names or voting. The majority voted to keep it as it is.

APRIL 1970 FIELD TRIPS

April 5 - Arsenal, Barr & Mile Hi Lakes. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Clear,warm,windy-9 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, Ted Dement, Robert Glover, Winifred Guthrie, Jane Newcomb. (47 species)

12 - Greeley east to Eckley-Wray area. R. E. Olson, leader. (Cold, windy, rain, snow) R. Andrews, Bobbie Ausfahl, Betty Balsiger, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, John & Joyce Cooper, Mr. & Mrs. Elliot, Hugh Kingery, Steve Laven, Thompson Marsh, Mr. & Mrs. McDonough, Mr. & Mrs. Patee, Vivian Plyler. (55 species)

18 - Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & Lakes of area, Morrison. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Cloudy,snow showers,slight breeze-7 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Henry & Vi Bossman, Hugh Kingery, Thompson Marsh, Mary Robinson, Ruth Wheeler. (66 species)

19 - Barr Lake & Mile Hi Lakes. Henry & Vi Bossman, leaders. (Sunny, calm A.M.-7 1/2 hrs.) Bob Andrews, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Bob Brace, Rosa Lee Brace, Lori Chappell, Robert Glover, Paul Julian, Steven Larson, Jane Newcomb, Lois Webster. (74 species)

25 - Waterton and area. Hugh Kingery, leader. (Sunny-12 hrs.) Bobbie Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Lorena Berger, Helen Bonnema, Henry & Vi Bossman, Lori Chappell, Nancy Hurley, Dave Hutchinson, Jeff Hutchinson, Elinor Kingery, Thompson & Susan Marsh, Bernice Merry, Paul Merry, Ed Schell (Waldorf, Md.), Bob Spencer, Jack & Grace Welch. (84 species)

26 - Pawnee National Grasslands & Kersey (k). Nancy Hurley, leader. (Fair, warm, light to moderate wind-6 1/2 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Helen Crisman, Bob Glover, Marie Kolena, Jane Kragh, Steve Larson, Arlene Parker, Grace & Jack Welch, Kenneth, Katherine, and Barbara Whipple. (53 species)

April	5	12	18	18	19	25	26
AREA	BARR	N.E.	BEAR	MORR	BARR	WATER	PAWN
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES							
Common Loon			1				
Horned Grebe	2		8		7	3	
Eared Grebe			(2		5	7	
Western Grebe	6 on 11th Barr JR		16		4	33	
Pied-billed Grebe	1 on 10th CCRes. MS		2		2	7	
White Pelican		(1					
Double-crested Cormorant	(27 on 11th Barr JR				23	30 Barr HH,JR	
Great Blue Heron	27	2	1		19	1	1
Common Egret						1Barr HH,JR	

April	5	12	18	18	19	25	26
AREA	BARR	N.E.	BEAR	MORR	BARR	WATER	PAWN
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES							
Black-crowned Night Heron	(2 on 11th Barr JR				7	3 Barr HH,JR	
White-faced Ibis					(2	35Barr HH,JR	
Canada Goose		2	14			14	
Mallard	600	525	52		520	16	12
Gadwall	420	160	115		114	146	
Pintail	550	200	4		200	2	
Green-winged Teal	35	33	4		70	10	2
Blue-winged Teal	(1	6	2		110	3	1
Cinnamon Teal	11	10			25	2	
American Widgeon	25	66	18		210	80	
Shoveler	650	12	32		700	124	
Wood Duck			2				
Redhead	35	2	76		200	541	
Ring-necked Duck			4		25	45	
Canvasback	12	1			9	2	
Lesser Scaup	215	16	24		2000	40	2
Common Goldeneye	5				5		
Barrow's Goldeneye	1) on 4th BowMar MS						
Bufflehead	4	1	6		35	48	
Ruddy Duck	1		8		290	3	
Hooded Merganser	1 on 6th BowMar JC						
Common Merganser	4		5		5	24	
Red-breasted Merganser	3 C. C. Res. JR						
Turkey Vulture						(4	
Sharp-shinned Hawk			1			1	
Cooper's Hawk	1 on 24th CCRes TM						
Red-tailed Hawk	4	2	1		2	1	2
Broad-winged Hawk						(1	
Swainson's Hawk	(1 on 11th Arsenal JR1				10	2	7
Rough-legged Hawk	4	1			Arsenal	1 HH,JR	
Ferruginous Hawk							1
Golden Eagle	1 on 4th Muir Spgs. JR					2	1
Bald Eagle	2) Ad. 11 imm. on 4th Jackson Res. JR						
Marsh Hawk	4	15			3		1
Osprey			(1 CCRes.JR			1	
Prairie Falcon	2						
Pigeon Hawk	1 on 4th Barr JR						
Sparrow Hawk	7	9	16	2	4	5	15
Sharp-tailed Grouse	26 on 25th Castlewood HH,JR						
Ring-necked Pheasant	2	3	1		4		3
Sandhill Crane							2)k
Virginia Rail	(1 on 23rd Boulder SL						
American Coot	35	20	45		25	199	
Semipalmated Plover	(2 Mile Hi on 19th JR						4k
Killdeer	3	6	17		14	5	8
Mountain Plover							(13
Common Snipe	2 on 25th Barr HH,JR	4	12		7	5	
Solitary Sandpiper	(2 on 26th Mile Hi HK						
Willet	12 Mile Hi HH,JR				(4		
Greater Yellowlegs	(1	1			1	5	
Lesser Yellowlegs		(8			7	50MHDC HH,JR	
Pectoral Sandpiper							(10k
Baird's Sandpiper							(30k
Least Sandpiper						(4	
Long-billed Dowitcher					(5		15k
Western Sandpiper							(2k
Marbled Godwit		(1	1		1	3MHDC HH,JR	
American Avocet	(1	18			12	25MHDC HH,JR	
Black-necked Stilt	(1 Boulder SL						
Wilson's Phalarope					(4	316	
California Gull		(4	6				
Ring-billed Gull	11	282	6		4	16 BarrHH,JR	
Franklin's Gull		(13				100	
Bonaparte's Gull			(1 Barr DT				
Band-tailed Pigeon			NEW EARLY RECORD		(1 Waterton HK		
Rock Dove		21	6			6	
Mourning Dove		3	1		4	13	75
Screech Owl	1 on 25th Castlewood HH,JR						
Great Horned Owl	1				2		8
Burrowing Owl	(2 on 11th CCRes. JR					2	2
Long-eared Owl	1 on nest on 4th CCRes. JR				1		2

April	5	12	18	18	19	25	26
AREA	BARR	N.E.	BEAR	MORR	BARR	WATER	PAWN
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES							
Short-eared Owl	2				1 CCRes. JR		
Belted Kingfisher			1		2	4	3
Red-shafted Flicker	3	3	8	3	7	18	5
Hairy Woodpecker						1	
Downy Woodpecker			1		1	3	
Western Kingbird							(1
Say's Phoebe	(1 on 9th CCRes. JR				2	1	3
Horned Lark	21	418				11	400
Violet-green Swallow					(7 Waterton HK		
Tree Swallow	(2 on 11th CCRes. JR				15		
Bank Swallow	(8 on 17th CCRes. MS				6		
Rough-winged Swallow					(2	1	
Barn Swallow		(5	5		21	10	4
Blue Jay	5 on 4th Muir Spgs.JR			Few in Denver all month			
Steller's Jay				2			
Scrub Jay						9(Tr)	
Black-billed Magpie	43	8	54	25	19	28	20
Common Raven	1 on 27th Littleton MS						
Common Crow		10	11			32	1
Black-capped Chickadee	7	2	1		13	17	10
Mountain Chickadee				1			
Red-breasted Nuthatch	Few all month in Denver						
Dipper				4			
House Wren						(3	1
Long-billed Marsh Wren					1 Vaille Res. JR		
Mockingbird			(1			1	
Brown Thrasher						(1	
Sage Thrasher			(3 CCRes. JR				4
Robin	63	1	1500	465	9	119	4
Hermit Thrush					(1 Barr JR		2
Gray-cheeked Thrush		(1 on 14th Barr H&VB					
Western Bluebird	(1 on 7th Franktown MS 6						
Mountain Bluebird	33		9 4Castlewood HH,JR25th2				
Townsend's Solitaire				1	2	2 (Tr)	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet					(7	2 (Tr)	
Water Pipit		(15			1	2Barr HH,JR	
Northern Shrike		1				Arsenal MS	1)
Loggerhead Shrike		(2	1			1	27
Starling	90	417	150	60	20	72	50
Black-and-white Warbler						(1	
Orange-crowned Warbler							(4
Myrtle Warbler				(1CCRes. JR		1	8
Audubon's Warbler					(2	6	1
Wilson's Warbler							(3
House Sparrow	17	285	3	4	12	3	20
Western Meadowlark	55	29	36		76	32	100
Yellow-headed Blackbird		115	20		60	1	
Redwinged Blackbird	550	845	75		170	22	10
Brewer's Blackbird		(31	20		3	7	2
Common Grackle(4 on 11th Arsenal JR 11			15		7	4	3
Brown-headed Cowbird						(5	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	NEW EARLY RECORD (1 on 28th Aurora DA						
Black-headed Grosbeak	(1 on 29th Aurora MS						
Evening Grosbeak	2 on 27th Sedalia MS		2			2	
House Finch	12			13		4	
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	NEW LATE DATE -			Castle Rock	2 BS	25SquawMt.TM	
Black Rosy Finch	" " " -			" "	1 BS	8 "	" TM
Pine Siskin	31	85	2			5	2
American Goldfinch	2	75			30	9	
Green-tailed Towhee	(1 on 24th CCRes. TM						
Rufous-sided Towhee						(7	
Lark Bunting		(4 NEW EARLY RECORD					
Savannah Sparrow			(7 CC Res. JR			1MHDC HH,JR	
Vesper Sparrow			(3		4	14	400
Lark Sparrow						Arsenal HK	(1
Black-throated Sparrow	1 on 29th Boulder PJ						
Slate-colored Junco				1	2	2)	
Oregon Junco	8			8	6	17	
Gray-headed Junco			3	8	2	1	
Tree Sparrow	4				1) CCRes. TM		
Chipping Sparrow			(1			2	7

April	5	12	18	18	19	25	26
AREA	BARR	N.E.	BEAR	MORR	BARR	WATER	PAWN
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES							
Harris' Sparrow				1	3	5	
White-crowned Sparrow	2				8	5	
White-throated Sparrow	1 thru 30th NW Denver H&ET adult plumage						
Fox Sparrow (Eastern)	1 on 17th Castle Rock MS NEW LATE RECORD						
Lincoln's Sparrow	(1 on 8th Lakewood JC				2	1	
Song Sparrow	6		2		4	13	1
McCown's Longspur		500)Last Chance MB,CB					1
Chestnut-collared Longspur		300) " " MB,CB					
TOTAL SPECIES 159	47	55	58	15	74	84	53

(First of season
)Last of season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Donald Allen, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Henry & Vi Bossman, John Cooper, Harold Holt, Paul Julian, Hugh Kingery, Steve Larson, Thompson Marsh, Jack Reddall, Bill Smith, Henry & Emily Tefft, Donald Thatcher.

NEW MEMBERS: Mr. & Mrs. Donald F. Allen - 3060 Billings St. - Aurora 80010
Mrs. Patricia Garthwaite - 1825 Viewpoint Rd. - Boulder 80303

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Valerie Hadley - 329 E. 11th - Denver 80203
Mrs. Frances T. Hames - 2272 Desmond Dr. - Decatur, Ga. 30033

NOTE: The feathers found on Don Thatcher's trip to Red Rocks on Feb. 8 have been identified as those of a Saw-whet Owl.

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS:
Don't forget to jot down all the pertinent data on any nests you find for this program.
Nancy Hurley

Hummingbirds & Feeders

For those of you who feed or wish to feed hummingbirds, the following article by Mrs. Helen E. Waters, Star Route, Box 67, Littleton, Colo. 80120 will be of interest. The article in its entirety originally appeared in the PURPLE MARTIN NEWS, and was brought to our attention by Hugh Kingery. Mrs. Waters has participated in our Christmas Count with her winter bird feeder. It would be a good idea to bring your hummer feeders inside by Labor Day to discourage the birds from staying past their normal migration time.

"This morning as I refilled the hummingbird feeder on our porch, a female broadtail hovered around my hands, cheeping her annoyance at my presence. She tried the bottom of the upturned bottle; she tried the sides. She touched my hands in several places with her beak--just a gentle nudge. Finally she discovered the stream of nectar flowing into the narrow neck of the bottle and settled herself comfortably on my finger to drink from it.

In the past several years I have read and heard a great deal of discussion regarding the strength of sugar water that should be fed to hummingbirds. Some insist that sugar alone is not enough and honey should be substituted to provide protein. Others maintain that honey is dangerous.

Dr. Augusto Ruschi, the world famous hummingbird authority, has raised many birds in captivity. Under these circumstances sugar in excess of 25 percent in water, he has found, leads to liver enlargement and ultimate death. He has also experimented with honey water and says that 'death always occurred after a certain time.' He further states, 'In the majority of cases the cause was a micosa on the tongue of the bird developing from a fungus in the honey. In rarer cases, when the percentage of honey was higher, enlargement, or hardening of the liver occurred, that is, a type of cirrhosis, with rapid death...'

It seems obvious that honey should be avoided. A sugar water solution containing one cup of white cane sugar to four or five cups of water is about right for birds which are not captive. The water should be brought to a boil to eliminate any possibility of bacteria and the sugar should be stirred until completely dissolved. A few drops of red food coloring not only makes the feeder a more colorful addition to the patio but serves to attract the birds. The feeder itself can be commercially purchased or it can be a makeshift one such as a bottle from a liquid sugar-substitute with the plastic tip cut off to permit the nectar to drip out as the birds feed. Under no circumstances should a sugar-substitute be used in making the solution, however. A touch of red nail polish near the tip of the tube helps if the tube is not made of

glass. After you have fed for a season, you will find the same birds returning in succeeding years to hunt for the feeder wherever it hung the year before.

Even a small container such as a shot glass sitting upright will be accepted by the birds, who will then perch on the rim to drink.

The container should be kept scrupulously clean to prevent bacterial growth or mold. The solution too must not be permitted to sour or mold, but should be renewed frequently, the frequency depending upon the weather. In hot climates it stands to reason the nectar should be renewed more often.

Dr. Ruschi also hangs containers of rotting fruit near his feeders to attract fruit flies which the birds use as a source of protein. A small cheesecloth bag with a piece of fruit will take care of this.

These tiny summer visitors are sucha a source of pleasure that the small amount of trouble it takes to make the solution, keep the containers clean and the solution fresh is well worth while."

* * * * * * * * * * *

Colorado Woman Honored by Family Camping Federation

Mrs. Ann Cunningham of Ward, Colorado was honored recently by the Family Camping Federation. It was her brilliant idea that brought about the new concept in the control of the LITTERBUG. Mrs. Cunningham had often witnessed the destructive antics of the LITTERBUG and had stormed inside because of her helplessness to do anything to stop the needless littering of the countryside. She saw her beautiful state of Colorado being covered with litter, as a result of the careless ways of the motorist, tourist, camper, picnicker, etc.

In conversations with members of the Board of Directors of the Family Camping Federation, she explained her idea. She wanted a national recognized signal that she could sound with her auto horn that would immediately tell the LITTERBUG and all within hearing that a LITTERBUG had been caught in the act.

She mentioned that during the World War II, the three dots and a dash was nationally recognized as meaning "V" for Victory. So why couldn't there be a nationwide signal for sounding off against the LITTERBUG.

From that chance conversation was born the Beep Beeeeeep Beep Beep, the Morse code for "L" meaning LITTERBUG.

Mrs. Cunningham, in accepting the award from the Family Camping Federation, said that she hoped her idea would do something to help control the littering habits of the American public. She asked all to sound the Beep Beeeeeep Beep Beep when a LITTERBUG is spotted.

* * * * * * * * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401. Phone 279-1990.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - JUNE 1970

June 6, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader.*

7, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on June 6. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

13, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Banner Lakes, Prospect & Horse Creek Reservoirs. Meet as on June 6. Van Remsen, leader. *

14, Sunday, 6:30 AM. Muir Springs & Weldona. Meet as on June 6. Donald Thatcher, leader. *

17, Wednesday, 7:00 AM. Rocky Mtn. Arsenal, Barr Lake, Mile High Lakes. Meet as on June 6. Van Remsen, leader. *

18-21 Thursday-Sunday. Colorado Field Ornithologists, Cooper Ornithological Society, Wilson Ornithological Society.

27-28 Saturday-Sunday. Overnight to North Rock Creek in the Gore Range. George Shier, leader, phone 279-1990.

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * * * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

Hummingbirds — no money
Sugar 1 & 4 cups
about regret

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

DENVER MAY 21 '70 COLO. U.S. POSTAGE .06 P.B. METER 874262

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS
OF THE
Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 9 June 1970
Harold Holt, Editor

NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER

MAY 1970 FIELD TRIPS

May 2 - Barr & Mile High Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, warm 70°-12 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Lori Chappell, Ruth Deffenbaugh, Winifred Guthrie, LaVona Holt, Steve Larson, Thompson Marsh, Berniece Merry, Paul Merry, Mary Jane Schock, Bob Spencer. (98 species)

3 - Platteville, Latham Resv., Milton Lake. D. M. Thatcher and John & Marjorie Lett, leaders. (Fair, warm-7 1/2 hrs.) Doris Anderson, Merle Barbour, C. Bonney, L. Chappell, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Clawson & Wm. Clawson, Jr., A. Collister, Milton & Marge Collom, P. Echelmeyer, N. Hurley, R. Listina, S. Morrison, R. Olson, Margaret Sikes, Lois Webster. (75 sp)

9 - Spring Count in the Denver Christmas Area. For a complete summary, see the second list.

16 - Regular Spring Count Day
Baca County - Paul Julian & Hugh Kingery 5-15,16,17 (113 sp) and Susan & Thompson Marsh 5-16 (Comanche Nat'l. Grasslands & dry Cimarron River.) (48 species)

Bonny Dam - Bobby Ausfahl, Bob Andrews, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Harold & LaVona Holt, Jack & Grace Welch (118sp)

Denver area - Northeast (Aurora to Barr Lake). Lori Chappell, Nancy Hurley, Steve Helty, Robert Spencer, Lois Webster, Jack Reddall. warm, clear-11 hrs., 116 species.
Southwest (Lower Bear & Turkey Creeks, lakes in area, Willow Springs Ranch, Sedalia, Jackson Cr., Daniels Park. Warm, mostly sunny, little breeze -12 hrs.) Phyllis Caswell, Patty Echelmeyer, Tim Gates, Sadie Morrison, Robina Storrie, Ruth Wheeler. (86 species) and (Red Rocks-6 hrs.) Mr. & Mrs. R. Brace, R. Ehret, C. Nitschke, Don Thatcher. (50 sp)

17 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Sunny, warm, not much wind-7 hrs.) Betty Balsinger, Robert Glover, Helen Shunk, Helen Stiles. (45 species)

23 - Lower Bear & Turkey Creeks, lakes of area, Red Rocks, Morrison. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Warm, mostly sunny, slight breeze-7 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Henry & Vi Bossman, Dr. Ward & Margo Chadwick, Lori Chappell, Viola Hubka. (46 species)

24 - Barr Lake & Mile High. Jack & Grace Welch, leaders. (Bright, warm-9hr Richard Bottorff, Lori Chappell, Robert Glover, Steve Larson. (74 spec.

30 - Church Lake, East L., Newell L., Baedeker L., Rock Creek Canyon to Estes Park, Lyons, Longmont. David Hutchinson, leader. (Sunny & shower, 65°-75°-12 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, Tim Gates, Thompson & Susan Marsh. (92 species)

31 - Evergreen. Sylvia & Winston Wm. Brockner, leaders. (Rain, snow, 38°) (20 species)

May	2	3	9	16	16	16	17	23	23	24	30	31
AREA	BARR	LATH	XMAS	BACA	BONN	DENVR	PAWN	BEAR	MORR	BARR	LAKE	EVER
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	CIRC	PLN	PLN	NE-SW	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PL-f	FOOT
SPECIES						f						
Common Loon			1)									
Horned Grebe	2		2)									

May	2	3	9	16	16	16	17	23	23	24	30	31
AREA	BARR	LATH	XMAS	BACA	BONN	DENVR	PAWN	BEAR	MORR	BARR	LAKE	EVER
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	CIRC	PLN	PLN	NE-SW	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PL-f	FOOT
SPECIES						f						
Eared Grebe	4		1	1	6	15					15	
Western Grebe	27	20	93			60	5			50	1	
Pied-billed Grebe	4	1	15		2	10	6	4		4	14	
White Pelican		30										
D.-c. Cormorant	38	4	2			35				28		
Great Blue Heron	42	22	9		2	44	2			35	10	
Green Heron	(1 on 8th Bldr SL		1		2					1Muir Spg.JR		
Common Egret	NEW EARLY RECORD					3 Boulder SL						
Snowy Egret	(2on3rd Franktwn HH		1			3				1		
B.-c. Night Heron	5	2				20				23	2	
American Bittern		(2			2	1				1		
White-faced Ibis	28					31				JR MHDC- 3		
Mute Swan			5									
Canada Goose		1	162	1	4		15				17	
Mallard	307	40	118	12	27	165	15	7		70	42	
Gadwall	81		58	21	8	325	43			20	6	
Pintail	14	35	6		4	35				45	1	
Green-winged Teal	53	18	17		7	34					6	
Blue-winged Teal	49	50	14	2	31	80	2	2	6	19	7	
Cinnamon Teal	9	4	14			19				4		
American Widgeon	17	24	23	2	6	6	1			14	4	
Shoveler	28	30	41		14	200	10			30	25	
Wood Duck			2									
Redhead	14	8	66		12	6	5			12	25	
Ring-necked Duck	1		2	2)on 22nd Boulder SL								
Canvasback			2			1)						
Lesser Scaup	42		67		2	10	5			8	2	
Common Goldeneye					1							
Bufflehead	8	1	2		5	2	3			2)		
Ruddy Duck	17		3	2	30	200	3	3		75	87	
Common Merganser	1 on Jackson Res. 24th JR											
Red-breasted "			1)									
Turkey Vulture			8	20							8f	
Mississippi Kite				2								
Goshawk			1				1f					
Sharp-shinned Hawk			2)	1								
Cooper's Hawk		1)					1f					
Red-tailed Hawk	2	1	5	2		1)	2f				2f	
Broad-winged Hawk		1	MHDC JR									
Swainson's Hawk	4	3	3	7	3	5		2		3		
Ferruginous Hawk	2					1						
Golden Eagle			2	3			2f	1				
Marsh Hawk	5			8	4	1	1			1	1	
Prairie Falcon		1			1							
Peregrine Falcon	1		1		1)	Boulder SL						
Sparrow Hawk	5	8	26	15	7	7	10	6		3	8	
Blue Grouse			9				1f					
Lesser Prairie Chicken				18								
Bobwhite				2	6							
Scaled Quail				37								
Ring-neck. Pheasant	7	8	11	12	4	6	6	5	2	5	4	
Chukar										2		
Turkey				6								
Virginia Rail		2				1				2		
Sora	NEW EARLY RECORD(1	1										
American Coot	72	50	86	4	42	90	23	1	8	200	51	
Semipalmated Plover						2)						
Killdeer	10	10	34	16	10	15	4	4	4	7	25	
Mountain Plover				1				18				
Black-bellied Plover					2	9)						
Ruddy Turnstone	(1) on 5th Barr MOS											
Common Snipe	6	1	1								2	
Long-billed Curle				19	1	1						
Spotted Sandpiper	(1		18	1	14	10	4	2	2	2	2	
Solitary Sandpiper	1)											
Willet	7			2		1				4)		
Greater Yellowlegs	4)											
Lesser Yellowlegs	29	12)			2							
White-rumped Sandpiper					1							
Baird's Sandpiper	6		2)									
Least Sandpiper	8	6)			8							

May	2	3	9	16	16	16	17	23	23	24	30	31
AREA	BARR	LATH	XMAS	BACA	BONN	DENVR	PAWN	BEAR	MORR	BARR	LAKE	EVER
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	CIRC	PLN	PLN	NE-SW	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PL-f	FOOT
SPECIES						f						
Long-billed Dowitcher			9		4	14	6)					
Stilt Sandpiper					2							
Semipalmated Sandpiper		4)			2							
Western Sandpiper	3 on 5th Barr MOS				4	2)Boulder SL						
Marbled Godwit	13		21)									
HUDSONIAN GODWIT		1 MHDC on 3rd JR (3rd RECORD FOR STATE)										
Sanderling					18							
American Avocet	18	7	5	4	2	25	3	2		6	22	
Black-necked Stilt			(4)									
Wilson's Phalarope	412	4	67		6	132				1	17	
Northern Phalarope						(4)						
Herring Gull		1)										
California Gull		2	4				1					
Ring-billed Gull		2	85	2	2	1			k		20	
Franklin's Gull			12				46				10	
Bonaparte's Gull	2) on 14th Boulder SL											
Forster's Tern		(2			8	1					3	
Black Tern				4	100					(5	6	
Band-tailed Pigeon			37				2f					10
Rock Dove	7		77		12	26	20		12	6	10	16
Mourning Dove	19	12	274	227	65	35	51	80	10	6	45	65 2
Roadrunner				1								
Screech Owl				1					1 Castlewood HH			
Great Horned Owl	1	4		3	1	4		1			4	1
Burrowing Owl	4			11	1	5						
Long-eared Owl	1	1	1			1						
Poor-will				3								
Common Nighthawk			(1	7	1					1	E.Denver HK	
Chimney Swift	10 on 7th E. Denver MOS										Barr JR	2
White-throated Swift			9				8f			4	5f	
Black-chinned Hummingbird				2								
Broad-tailed Hummingbird			(31				6			2	3f	1
Belted Kingfisher	5		11		4	2	4		2		1	
Yellow-shafted Flicker					2							
Red-shafted Flicker	14	6	75	7	7	12	14		5	3	8	25 1
Red-headed Woodpecker				3	18	(1					1	
Lewis' Woodpecker				19			1				2f	
Yellow-bellied Saps.	1		3									
Hairy Woodpecker	1)		3									
Downy Woodpecker	2	2	10		2	5					2	
Ladder-backed Woodpecker				4								
Eastern Kingbird	(1 on 8th MHDC CB			12	8	12	2	1			14	7
Western Kingbird	2	1	4	92	18	25	7	40			30	11
Cassin's Kingbird				2								
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher				2								
Great Crested Flycatcher					1							
Ash-throated Flycatcher				16								
Eastern Phoebe				11								
Say's Phoebe	1		2	1	1	2	4	1			1	
Traill's Flycatcher			4	1	1	(1 on 6th Boulder SL						
Least Flycatcher						(1					Barr JR	1
Hammond's Flycatcher	(1											
Dusky Flycatcher		(1 on 1st Boulder TM										
Empidonax sp.						27	4					
Western Flycatcher	(1		2			1	1					
Eastern Wood Pewee				1								
Western Wood Pewee			(2		2	2	2		1	2	2	2
Olive-sided Flycatcher			1	2			1f	(1 on 8th	E.Denver HK			1
Horned Lark	23	10	2	262	6	13	3	200			12	
Violet-green Swallow			179		6		11				2)	42f
Tree Swallow			275		4	1)					2	6f
Bank Swallow		2	3		12							
Rough-winged Swallow	3		17	18	6	8	4				8	2
Barn Swallow	19	25	104	9	22	30	22	2	12	2	20	71
Cliff Swallow			(26	14	12		8	1				50
Blue Jay		1		6	8	1						1
Steller's Jay			65									2
Scrub Jay			15	3			10			2		1f
Black-billed Magpie	48	12	208	17	6	85	37	10	25	8	30	22 1
Common Raven			3									
White-necked Raven				18								

May	2	3	9	16	16	16	16	17	23	23	24	30	31
AREA	BARR	LATH	XMAS	BACA	BONN	DENVER		PAWN	BEAR	MORR	BARR	LAKE	EVER
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	CIRC	PLN	PLN	NE-SW		PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PL-f	FOOT
SPECIES							f						
Common Crow	1	1	2	5	4	2	3			1		3	
Pinon Jay				2		3	Boulder SL						
Black-capped Chickadee	7	3	46		14	12	6			1		7	2
Mountain Chickadee			41										1
Plain Titmouse				1									
Common Bushtit				2									
White-breasted Nuthatch			3				1						2
Red-breasted Nuthatch			27			4)							
Pigmy Nuthatch			17				2						1
Brown Creeper			3	2)on 9th S. Denver LM									
Dipper			10							3		1f	
House Wren	5		70	3	22	35	17	3	3	2	15	5	2
Bewick's Wren				14									
Long-billed Marsh Wren		4											
Canon Wren			3	7			4f					1f	
Rock Wren			2	11		2						2f	
Mockingbird				104	2								
Catbird			(2		2		3				2	1f	
Brown Thrasher	1			7	8	1							
Curve-billed Thrasher				4									
Robin	18	12	304	3	12	6	39		6	4	8	33	6
Hermit Thrush	3	1	1			2					1)		
Swainson's Thrush(lonlstAurora			1	12	19	75	4	4			12	2f	
MOS					3	(5		1				1f	
Veery													
Western Bluebird 28 all month Franktown MOS													
Mountain Bluebird			7				3)p					2f	
Townsend's Solitaire 1)			7									1f	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			(1	1)on 15th Red Rocks PE									
Golden-crown.Kinglet 1)													
Ruby-crowned Kinglet 1			17-1p)				1f					1f	
Water Pipit	6)												
Cedar Waxwing			10)		2		1						
Loggerhead Shrike	2	2		10	4	1		4					
Starling	97	20	254	8	27	75	44	20	25		38	79	
Solitary Vireo (1 on 12th Lakewood PE						4				1		1f	
Red-eyed Vireo				1	1	(1	1						
Warbling Vireo				3	2	(3						2f	
Black-and-white Warbler			2			1)		1 on 5th Boulder PJ					
Golden-winged Warbler	(1) on 14th Denver DT												
Blue-winged Warbler			(1 also on 10th HK 2ND DENVER RECORD										
Tennessee Warbler(1 on 15th R.R.P. PE					2		1)						
Orange-crowned Warbler	2	1	5	6		1	1				1)		
Nashville Warbler	(1) on 5th Boulder PJ												
Virginia's Warbler			59	1	1	1)15		(3 on 2nd Waterton HK					
Parula warbler			(1)										
Yellow Warbler	(1		41	42	14	55	14	1	9	4	7	34	
Magnolia Warbler				1									
Cape May Warbler	1 on 10 Boulder WG (3RD RECORD FOR STATE)												
Black-throated Blue Warbler	(1) on 8th E. Denver AB NEW EARLY RECORD												
Myrtle Warbler	7	1	39	1	2	12	1				1)Barr HH		
Audubon's Warbler	11	8	168	19	6	65	6				1)	1	
Black-throated Gray Warbler	(1 on 11th E. Denver HK 1) on 16th Boulder SL												
Townsend's Warbler			(1			1	1) on 31st Lakewood BE						
Black-trhoated Green Warbler	(1) on 7th E. Denver HK												
Blackburnian Warbler						(1) on 13th-16th							
Chestnut-sided Warbler			(4)	1									
Blackpoll Warbler	(1 on 5th Barr MOS					1) Boulder SL				1 on 10th Waterton HK			
Ovenbird	(1 NEW EARLY RECORD					1 on 18th Aurora MOS							
Northern Waterthrush					2	(1					1)		
MacGillivray's Warbler			(4	3		4)	8	1				1f	
Yellowthroat	(1	1	6	2	8	34	3		8		8	11	
Yellow-breasted Chat			(10				17		3	5		1f	
Wilson's Warbler	1		8	7		15)	3						
American Redstart(lon14thLakewd PE				2	2	2	4	3				4f	
House Sparrow	56	20	82	40	25	37	38	8	7	5	16	82	
Bobolink					1								
Western Meadowlark	67	30	149	146	70	40	44	100	8	3	30	122	
Yellow-head.Blkbird	137	40	45		12	75	21		18	1	300	80	
Redwinged Blkbird	1420	150	347	29	65	350	13	20	17	2	60	178	
Orchard Oriole				8	10								
Baltimore Oriole					6								

May	2	3	9	16	16	16	16	17	23	23	24	30	31
AREA	BARR	LATH	XMAS	BACA	BONN	DENVER		PAWN	BEAR	MORR	BARR	LAKE	EVER
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	CIRC	PLN	PLN	NE-SW		PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PL-f	FOOT
SPECIES							f						
Bullock's Oriole			(7	47	16	50	17		4	1	50	14	
Brewer's Blackbird	8	4	298		4	6	8			6		45	
Common Grackle	26	15	120	8	8	17	15	6	11		8	56	
Brown-head. Cowbird	1	6	129	24	4	8	16	6	6		2	5	2
Western Tanager			(3		1	1	4		3	1	2)	2f	
Scarlet Tanager	(1 22-26th Ft. Denver RS												
Summer Tanager	(1) on 4th MHDC CB												
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	(1 on 5th Boulder PJ						1		1 Evergreen TM				
Black-headed Grosbeak			(6	6	2	1	7			2		3f	3
Blue Grosbeak				13	2								
Indigo Bunting	(1 NEW EARLY REC1					1					1		
Lazuli Bunting	(1on6th Bldr SL		5	17	1		10	2		2		5f	
Painted Bunting				1									
Dickcissel				1									
Evening Grosbeak			13				3						1
Cassin's Finch													2
House Finch	2	2	51	5		1	15		6			10	
Pine Siskin			139	3	6		7	1	4			9	4
American Goldfinch	16	46	9	20	12	17	15		10			3	
Lesser Goldfinch							2					5f	
Red Crosbill			28										
Green-tailed Towhee		1	12			7)	4	1					1
Rufous-sided Towhee	1	1	112	1	2	6)	26	1		8		7f	
Brown Towhee				17									
Lark Bunting				1519	50	45		500			25		
Savannah Sparrow	4		1	4	1								
Grasshopper Sparrow				17									
Vesper Sparrow	17	4	8	15	12	2	10	42				2	
Lark Sparrow		1	6	144	16	2		4			2	1	
Rufous-crowned Sparrow				13									
Cassin's Sparrow				91									
Slate-colored Junco	1) Waterton HK NEW LATE RECORD												
Oregon Junco	2)												
Gray-headed Junco	1		50)										1
Chipping Sparrow	11	1	23	271	20	65	32		3	3	5		2
Clay-colored Sparrow			(1	51	38	1		2			4		
Brewer's Sparrow	(3on5th ArsenalMOS			26	2	3	1	40			2	CCR. TM-1	
Field Sparrow											1	Nunn HH	
Harris' Sparrow			12)		2								
White-crowned Sparrow	6	8	29	5	6	4	17	4	2		1		
White-throated Sparrow			1								1)Aurora MOS		
Lincoln's Sparrow	2		1	5	2	2	1	1					
Song Sparrow	2	4	61		10	3	8		4			1	
McCown's Longspur								3					
Chestnut-collared Longspur								1					
Total Sp. 260	98	75	143	117	118	115	100	45	36	27	74	92	20

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Alfred Bailey, Christine Bonney, Bill Echelmeyer, Patty Echelmeyer, William Garrett, Harold Holt, Paul Julian, Hugh Kingery, Steve Larson, Thompson Marsh, Lillian McDonough, Jack Reddall, Mildred O. Snyder, Ron Stevens, Don Thatcher. Our apologies to Mildred Snyder for omitting her name from this list last month.

'LIFERS' WANTED

NOTICE:

If you wish to participate in a "lifer" wanted program, please send your list to Harold Holt, and these will be published in our monthly report at a later date. Your list should be taken from the Denver Area Status list, and should include only those species in the abundance scale from Fairly Common through Casual (Do not include abundant, very common or common, or accidental.). If everyone helps each other, maybe we can pick up those elusive 'lifers.

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS:

I have 96 nests of 25 species on cards already and know of many others not yet given to me. What have you found? There are many birds still to nest in the mountains though those in your backyard and on the prairies probably

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 10 July 1970

Harold Holt, Editor

NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER

JUNE 1970 FIELD TRIPS

June 6 - Barr & Mile High Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Fair,warm) Merle Barbour, Joe & Marion Borden, LaVona Holt, Mr. & Mrs. Norman Kasch, Don Kasch, Ron Lestina, George McFall, Cicely Mellor, Jack Reddall, Pete Robinson (Mass.), Betty Robinson, Bob Spencer, Juanita Swigart. (78 sp.)

7 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Warm,rather windy-12 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Steve Larson, June Rynders.(40 sp.)

13 - Banner Lakes, Prospect Res. Van Remsen, leader. (Wind 10-25mph,clear, coldAM,warmPM-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, John Colvin, Robert Glover, Jack Reddall, Mary Robinson, Lesley Julian, Martha Ann Weber. (57 species)

14 - Muir Springs & Weldona. Donald & Hazel Thatcher, leaders. (7 1/2hrs) Mr. & Mrs. Haluska & Elizabeth, James Howitz, John Colvin, Steve Larson, H. Rollin, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Turnquist. (39 species)

17 - Arsenal, Barr, Vaille, Mile High. Van Remsen, leader. (Clear,85°, breezy-10 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Dave Hutchinson. (73 sp.)

27 & 28 - North Rock Creek, Gore Range. George Shier, leader. (Fair, warm) Marie Shier, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Holt, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Sidney Posel, Kieth Minnick. (30 species)

June	6	7	13	14	17	28-29
AREA	BARR	PAWN	BANN	WELD	BARR	ROCK SPG
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTN
SPECIES						
Eared Grebe	8		4		8	
Western Grebe	60		8		30	
Pied-billed Grebe	7		5		8	
Double-crested Cormorant	45		15		32	
Great Blue Heron	52		4	1	39	
Green Heron	1 on 25th MHDC HH					
Snowy Egret	4		4		2	
Black-crowned Night Heron	11		1		14	
American Bittern	1					
Canada Goose			1		23	
Mallard	65	3	51	2	194	2
Gadwall	27		4		12	
Pintail	38		44		86	
Green-winged Teal	5		8		19	
Blue-winged Teal	48		22		49	
Cinnamone Teal	34		12		38	
American Widgeon	22		5		1	
Shoveler	40		18		54	
Wood Duck	1 pr Littleton Res. on 18th HH					
Redhead	18		37		71	
Canvasback					2 (nesting?)	
Lesser Scaup	1					
Bufflehead	1 on 8th Prewitt Res. TG,RA					
Ruddy Duck	32		24		33	
Turkey Vulture	Few all month Castlewood Dam					
Goshawk	1 on 22nd Eldora JO					
Cooper's Hawk			1 Golden Gate Canyon HH			
Red-tailed Hawk		1		1		1
Broad-winged Hawk	1 on 2nd Muir Springs TG					
Swainson's Hawk	3	2	6		5	

June	6	7	13	14	17	28-29
AREA	BARR	PAWN	BANN	WELD	BARR	ROCK SPG
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTN
SPECIES						
Ferruginous Hawk				2	3	
Golden Eagle			1 Golden Gate Canyon HH			
Marsh Hawk	4	2	1		2	
Sparrow Hawk	6	5	3	1	6	
Bobwhite				4		
Ring-necked Pheasant	3		3		5	
Sora	1				2	
American Coot	40		18		65	
Killdeer	16	15	10		22	
Mountain Plover		36 (10 imm.)				
Common Snipe	2(N-4E)				1	
Upland Plover	3 on 8th near Masters TG,RA					
Spotted Sandpiper	7	2		1	1	4
Lesser Yellowlegs	1) on 4th CCR TM		(1 on 25th MHDC HH			
Sanderling	1 on 8th Prewitt Res. TG,RA					
American Avocet	38	3	6		24	
Wilson's Phalarope	3		1		11	
California Gull	3		1			
Ring-billed Gull	1		75		1	
Franklin's Gull	1		1		2	
Forster's Tern			4			
Least Tern	1 on 20th Pawnee Grasslands CFO Meeting					
Black Tern	102					
Rock Dove	27		15		17	
Mourning Dove	94	150	37	6	86	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1 from 23rd Lakewood JC					
Black-billed Cuckoo	1 on 8th Balzac TG,RA					
Great Horned Owl	3		4		2	
Burrowing Owl	3	1	1		4	
Long-eared Owl	1 on 10th CCRes. HH					
Poor-will	Unc along foothills					
Common Nighthawk		20		7		
Chimney Swift	up to 8 all month N. Denver					
White-throated Swift	FC all month RRP					
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	common in foothills					3
Rufous Hummingbird	(1 on 29th Pinecliff TM					
Rivoli's Hummingbird	1f from 26th Pinecliff					
Belted Kingfisher	2			1	2	
Red-shafted Flicker	18			8	8	2
Red-headed Woodpecker	2	4		2	1	
Lewis' Woodpecker	Few at Sedalia nesting					
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker						1
Williamson's Sapsucker						2
Hairy Woodpecker				1		2
Downy Woodpecker	2					
Eastern Kingbird	18	6	11	1	29	
Western Kingbird	46	50	31	6	46	
Say's Phoebe		5		1		
Hammond's Flycatcher						(N-3E)1
Dusky Flycatcher						3
Western Flycatcher	FC in foothills					
Western Wood Pewee	4	3	1		1	4
Olive-sided Flycatcher						1
Horned Lark	24	250	31	30	26	
Violet-green Swallow						12
Tree Swallow						4
Rough-winged Swallow	6			1		
Barn Swallow	22	14	14	1	32	
Cliff Swallow		80	2			
Gray Jay						3
Blue Jay	few in Denver			2		
Steller's Jay	C in foothills					
Scrub Jay	FC in foothills					
Black-billed Magpie	45	10	26	7	58	
Common Raven	FC in mountains					
Common Crow	1				4	
Clark's Nutcracker	FC in high mountains					
Black-capped Chickadee	3			5	4	
Mountain Chickadee	FC in mountains					
White-breasted Nuthatch	Unc in mountains					
Red-breasted Nuthatch	Unc in mountains					

June		6	7	13	14	17	28-29
AREA		BARR	PAWN	BANN	WELD	BARR	ROCK SPG
HABITAT		PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTN
SPECIES							
Lincoln's Sparrow							8
Song Sparrow		2		10		2	
McCown's Longspur			42				
Chestnut-collared Longspur			3				
Total Species	175	78	40	57	39	73	30

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Robert Andrews, Bobbie Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, John Cooper, Tim Gates, Harold Holt, Steve Larson, Thompson Marsh, Lillian McDonough, Van Remsen, Mildred O. Snyder.

Addition to June report: 1 Yellow-throated Vireo 5/20 Boulder SL
Correction for June report: Delete 'New Early Record' from Common Egret.
Change Long-billed Curlew to Whimbrel at Bonny Res.

* CANADA WARBLER

On 6/22/70 at noon I was attracted by a strange song to an alder-willow thicket .3 miles east of Gail Shickley's entrance near Eldora. The singer was a full plumaged male Canada Warbler: black necklace with "fingers" projecting into breast; solid yellow underparts; yellow, well-defined throat; white eye-ring on black face mask; solid blue-gray wings, tail, rump, and head; no wing bars or tail spots; size of yellow warbler. The song sounded like a blend of Warbling Vireo and Empidonax; it was like the vireo but less fluid and more wheezy, ending on a downward inflection. The bird was very territorial, singing from the same perches throughout observations, including a return trip two hours after first sighting. Also seen well by John & Joyce Cooper. (Nesting?) This is probably the seventh Colorado record. Mrs. Shickley saw one at her house 6/13/60, very close to this spot. Hugh Kingery has also seen one at Briggsdale in mid June. However, the closest known breeding locale is probably Alberta, Canada.

Van Remsen

* * * * *

HUDSONIAN GODWIT

During the late afternoon of May 3, 1970, while scanning the mud flats at the Mile High Duck Club in Adams County, I came upon two Godwits feeding closely together about 200 feet distant from me. As I approached for a better look, one of the birds raised its wings preparatory to taking flight. The cinnamon under-wing lining left no doubt as to its identity - a Marbled Godwit. I was so engrossed in observing this bird that I failed to scrutinize the second bird for comparison purposes, otherwise I certainly would have noticed the difference immediately. After the Marbled Godwit took flight, I took a quick look at the other bird just to make sure of its identity. It appeared only perceptibly smaller and slightly darker (more rusty) in coloration compared to the bird that had just flown off. Since it was reluctant to fly, I decided that I had better move in closer on the possibility it might not be another Marbled Godwit. I approached to within 50 feet, and while it remained on the alert, it did not fly. As I waded into the water toward it, it finally took to the wing. I had my eye on its tail which showed up black! It also displayed a prominent white rump! I watched it circle out over the lake and as it wheeled back over my head I was able to clearly see the dark under-wings and thin wing stripe. No question as to its identity - an Hudsonian Godwit. This was my first sighting in the breeding plumage; the only other time being in the fall when I observed four birds at Moriches Inlet on Long Island, New York, in the gray winter plumage. This sighting evidently represents only the third record for Colorado and the second record for the Denver area. One was observed near Jackson Res. in Morgan County on May 22, 1955, and a male was collected by Dr. Bailey at the Mile High Duck Club on May 26, 1956.

Jack Reddall

****

NEW MEMBER: Mr. & Mrs. Norman Kasch - 4045 E. 18th Ave. - Denver 80220

'LIFERS' WANTED: If you wish to participate in a "lifer" wanted program, please send your list to Harold Holt, and these will be published in our monthly report at a later date. Your list should be taken from the Denver Area Status list, and should include only those species in the abundance scale from Fairly Common through Casual (Do not include abundant, very common or common, or accidental.) If everyone helps each other, maybe we can pick up thos elusive 'lifers'.

We are receiving a few 'Lifer Wanted List'. Send yours now.

June	6	7	13	14	17	28-29
AREA	BARR	PAWN	BANN	WELD	BARR	ROCK SPG.
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTN
SPECIES						
Pigmy Nuthatch	C in foothills					
Brown Creeper	Unc in mountains					
Dipper	Unc in mountains					
House Wren	14	1	2	7	6	8
Canon Wren	few at R.R.P.					
Rock Wren			2			
Mockingbird	1	3		2		
Catbird	6 all month RRP HH					
Brown Thrasher		4		5		
Robin	12	2	4		8	20
Hermit Thrush						5
Swainson's Thrush	15	2)				1
Veery	2) NEW LATE DATE					
Western Bluebird	Unc in foothills					
Mountain Bluebird	C in foothills					
Townsend's Solitaire	Unc in mountains					
Golden-crowned Kinglet						2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet						11
Water Pipit	C in tundra above timberline					
Loggerhead Shrike	1	15(5 imm)		3	1	
Starling	120	16	30	1	100	
Solitary Vireo	Unc in foothills					
Red-eyed Vireo	1 from 12th Lakewood VR					
Warbling Vireo	2				9	5
Blue-winged Warbler	1 on 20-21st Fort Collins CFO Meeting					
Virginia's Warbler	FC in foothills					
Yellow Warbler	8		4		10	
Audubon's Warbler		1	C in mountains			
Chestnut-sided Warbler	1 on 7th Sedalia MB NEW LATE DATE					
Ovenbird	1					
MacGillivray's Warbler	Unc in foothills					
Yellowthroat	18		7	5	22	
Yellow-breasted Chat	FC at RRP					
Wilson's Warbler					(N-4E)	20
CANADA WARBLER *						
House Sparrow	50	20	30	4	180	
Western Meadowlark	78	75	52	6	127	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	242		125		225	
Redwinged Blackbird	116	6	50	33	325	
Orchard Oriole	NEW LATE DATE	3	1	1	1	(Nesting?)
Bullock's Oriole	21	5	7	8	43	
Brewer's Blackbird	FC in Denver and foothills				1	
Common Grackle	37	6	1	2	43	
Brown-headed Cowbird	2			2	3	
Western Tanager	FC in foothills					
Black-headed Grosbeak	FC in foothills					
Blue Grosbeak	1				2	
Lazuli Bunting	FC in foothills				1	
Dickcissel	1 on 23rd CCRes. M.O.S.					
Evening Grosbeak	8 until 8th Englewood BA					
Cassin's Finch	Unc in mountains					
House Finch	6		2		1 C in Denver	
Pine Grosbeak	Unc in high mountains					
Brown-capped Rosy Finch	Unc on Mt. Evans					50
Pine Siskin						
American Goldfinch	2			2		
Lesser Goldfinch	Unc along foothills					
Red Crossbill	6 on 12th SE Denver LM		1 on 15th Lakewood VR			1
Green-tailed Towhee	FC in foothills					
Rufous-sided Towhee	C in foothills					
Lark Bunting	24	250	54		48	
Savannah Sparrow	1				2	
Vesper Sparrow	FC in foothills					
Lark Sparrow		5		4	6	
Cassin's Sparrow				2		
Gray-headed Junco						7
Chipping Sparrow	1					2
Brewer's Sparrow		1		3	3	
White-crowned Sparrow	1) NEW LATE DATE					(N-4E) 10
Fox Sparrow						2

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - AUGUST 1970

August 1, Saturday. Picnic with Denver Audubon Society. We have been invited to the Staunton Ranch, 3 miles NW of Shaffers Crossing on the south slope of Black Mountain. Meet at 11:30 AM at Shaffers Crossing about 40 miles south on US 285. Take first right turn after Shaffers Crossing sign. Just after making this turn, park on righthand side of road and you will be directed to the ranch. Picnic potluck. Bring table service and beverage. Call or mail your reservations indicating number coming, type of food you are bringing, and need for transportation, to Mrs. Donald Thatcher, 2916 Perry St., Denver, 80212 (455-7479).

2, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

8 & 9 Saturday & Sunday. 9:00 AM Saturday. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History for overnight camping trip to Red Feather Lakes area to look and listen for Boreal Owls. Lois Webster, leader, 780 Geneva St., Aurora, Colo. 80010, phone 364-0301.

Tom Fuller

15, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Echo Lake. Meet as on August 2. John Cooper, leader. *

16, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on August 8. Harold Holt, leader. *

22, Saturday, 7:00 AM Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Aug. 8. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

23, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Banner Lakes, Horse Creek & Prospect Res. Meet as on August 8. Jack Reddall, leader. *

29, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Aug. 8. Ray Olson, leader. *

30, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Evergreen, South Park & Boreas Pass. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, US 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Doris Anderson leader to Evergreen. Meet Bill & Sylvia Brockner, leaders, at Evergreen Post Office at 8:00 AM. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

* * * *

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS: Mountain birds are still nesting, and some plains species should have second nests. Recently, Broad-tailed Hummingbirds still had eggs, as did Townsend's Solitaire. Cassin's Finch was still building a nest on the Loch Vale trail on July 19. What are you finding?

Nancy Hurley

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

DENVER JUL 21 '70 COLO. U.S. POSTAGE .06 P.B. METER 874262

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS
OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 11 August 1970

Harold Holt, Editor

NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER

JULY 1970 FIELD TRIPS

July 4 - Nunn Grasslands. Harold Holt, leader. (Hot & Dry-6 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, LaVona Holt, Steve Larson, Mr. & Mrs. McDonough, Sid Posel. (23 species)

5 - Barr & Mile High Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Warm & Dry-8 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Libby Goodwin, LaVona Holt, Sid Posel, Jack Reddall, Helen Stiles. (62 species)

11 - Daniel's Park & Devil's Head. Lynn & Elizabeth Willcockson, leaders. (Clear to partly cloudy-9 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Ward Chadwick, John & Joyce Cooper, John & Carol Duren, Glenn, Carolyn & Elizabeth Haluska, Vi Hubka, Mr. & Mrs. Randolph McDonough, Cicely Mellor, Sid Posel, Ed & Barbara Smith. (59 species)

12 - Red Rocks Park & Genesee Mtn. Park. Donald M. Thatcher, leader. (Hot, fair-4 hrs.) Mrs. Edith Schmechel. (38 species)

18 - Coal Creek, Upper Middle Boulder Cr., Eldora. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Warm, sunny, shower P.M.-8 hrs.) Gail Shickley, leader at Eldora. Merle Barbour, Peg Benedict of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Henry & Vi Bossman, Ward & Margo Chadwick, John & Joyce Cooper, Par Evans, Libby Goodwin, Harold & LaVona Holt, Viola Hubka, Nancy Hurley, Cicely Mellor, Ivan Pendell, Jack Reddall, Edith Schmechel, Robina Storrie. (46 species)

19 - Loch Vale, Rocky Mountain National Park. Patty Echelmeyer, leader. (Fair-6 hrs.) Joanna & David Abbott, Doris Anderson, Merle Barbour, Bill & Sylvia Brockner, Harold & LaVona Holt, Nancy Hurley, Mrs. Elinor Kingery, Hugh Kingery, Edith Schmechel. (25 species)

25 - Arsenal, Barr Lake & Mile Hi Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Hot, clear-8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, David Brule, Larry Davis, Bob Glover. (64 species)

26 - South Park, Colo. Joe & Marion Borden, leaders. (Clear-6 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Cicely Mellor, Jane Newcomb, Sadie Morrison. (36 species)

July	4	5	11	11	12	12	18	19	25	26
AREA	NUNN	BARR	D.P.	DEVIL	RRP.	GEN.	ELD.	RMNP	BARR	SPARK
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	FOOT PLN	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	MTNS
SPECIES										
Eared Grebe		5								
Western Grebe		16							30+15young	
Pied-billed Grebe		3							11	
Double-crested Cormorant		46							30+18YinN	
Great Blue Heron		62							28+22Yin)	
Snowy Egret		6							6 Nest)	
Black-crowned Night Heron		12							11	
Yellow-crowned Night Heron									3 Adults	
Canada Goose		24								
Mallard		48					2		27	1
Gadwall		4							14	
Pintail		5							4	
Green-winged Teal		4							1	
Blue-winged Teal		22							1	
Cinnamon Teal		10								
American Widgeon									4	
Shoveler		3								

July	4	5	11	11	12	12	18	19	25	26
AREA	NUNN	BARR	D.P. FOOT	DEVIL	RRP.	GEN.	ELD.	RMNP	BARR	SPARK
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	MTNS
SPECIES										
Redhead		35							9	
Lesser Scaup		2								
Ruddy Duck		27							1	
Turkey Vulture				3						
Goshawk								1		
Red-tailed Hawk				1			1			1
Swainson's Hawk	3	2							2	
Ferruginous Hawk	2								1	
Golden Eagle	1									1
Marsh Hawk		3							2	
Prairie Falcon			1							
Sparrow Hawk		5	7						3	
Bobwhite	1 on 31st Federal Center, Lakewood BB									
Ring-necked Pheasant		3								
American Coot		26							45	
Killdeer	3	10	2						10	2
Mountain Plover	3									
Common Snipe							1			1
Spotted Sandpiper			1				2		2	
Solitary Sandpiper									(3	
American Avocet		11								
California Gull									5	
Franklin's Gull		21							50	
Black Tern									1	
Band-tailed Pigeon			16							
Rock Dove		4			40				2	
Mourning Dove	150	140	12		2		4		65	
Great Horned Owl	1									
Burrowing Owl	2	4							4	
Long-eared Owl *										
Common Nighthawk	8		1	1						
Black Swift								2		
White-throated Swift					3		2	6		
Broad-tailed Hummingbird			4	3		1	45	8		7
Rufous Hummingbird							3			
Rivoli's Hummingbird	1 f on 2nd Pinecliffe MOS						1f Pinecliffe MB,&)			
Belted Kingfisher		1	2						2 H&VB)	
Red-shafted Flicker		14	7	2		2	4		5	
Red-headed Woodpecker		1							1	
Lewis' Woodpecker			2							
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker										3
Williamson's Sapsucker				1		2 HH				
Hairy Woodpecker							1		1	
Downy Woodpecker		1							1	
Eastern Kingbird		5	3						6	
Western Kingbird	4	20	9						30	
Say's Phoebe		1								
Hammond's Flycatcher								1		
Dusky Flycatcher							1			
Western Flycatcher						1	2	5		1
Western Wood Pewee			1			2	4	1	1	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher							1HH Pinecliffe			
Horned Lark	70	14	6						18	20
Violet-green Swallow			1		8	2	12	4		2
Tree Swallow							8			3
Rough-winged Swallow									2	
Barn Swallow	2	32	1				4		48	5
Cliff Swallow					1					60
Gray Jay								4		
Blue Jay	Few in Denver HH									
Steller's Jay			2	5			10			3
Scrub Jay			4		1					
Black-billed Magpie	2	68	6		1		2		22	5
Common Raven				6		3				
Common Crow							2			5
Clark's Nutcracker								12		3
Black-capped Chickadee		3	6		1				4	
Mountain Chickadee				2		1	8	8		6
White-breasted Nuthatch			1	1						
Red-breasted Nuthatch						1 Echo Lake HH				
Pigmy Nuthatch				2			2			

July	4	5	11	11	12	12	18	19	25	26
AREA	NUNN	BARR	D.P.	DEVIL	RRP.	GEN.	ELD.	RMNP	BARR	SPARK
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	FOOT PLN	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	MTNS
SPECIES										
Dipper							4			2
House Wren		8	1	4			6	1	6	4
Canon Wren					2					
Rock Wren	1 on 12th Golden Gate Canyon HH									
Mockingbird	1	2							1	
Catbird			7		6					
Brown Thrasher	1									
(87) BENDIRE'S THRASHER !	2nd record for Colo., 1st nesting record									
Robin		2	24	4	3	1	12	7	6	12
Hermit Thrush				1		1	2	7		
Swainson's Thrush								1		
Veery +										
Western Bluebird			1							
Mountain Bluebird			1				10			55
Townsend's Solitaire				1			3	3		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				1			4	10		1
Water Pipit	Many all month Mt. Evans HH									
Loggerhead Shrike	2	3							1	
Starling		26	4		2				8	
Solitary Vireo			1			1				
Warbling Vireo		1					4			1
Virginia's Warbler					3					
Yellow Warbler		1	2		3					
Audubon's Warbler				3			2	9		
MacGillivray's Warbler							2			
(145) Yellowthroat		12	3						21	
Yellow-breasted Chat					6					
Wilson's Warbler							1	3		2
House Sparrow	6	49	2						48	
Western Meadowlark	200	90	8		2		4		37	5
Yellow-headed Blackbird		200							220	
Redwinged Blackbird		92	10				10		30	6
Bullock's Oriole	1	14	1						9	
Brewer's Blackbird				1			8		3	12
Common Grackle		13							1	
Brown-headed Cowbird		1	3		2					
Western Tanager						1	3			
Black-headed Grosbeak			5		2					
Blue Grosbeak		2							1	
Indigo Bunting) Hybrid					1					
Lazuli Bunting)		2	2		7					
Dickcissel	1 on 1st Parker MOS									
Evening Grosbeak	1 adult feeding young on 14th S. Denver LM									
Cassin's Finch							3	4		1
House Finch		17	1		2				6	
Pine Grosbeak								7		
Brown-capped Rosy Finch	Few all month Mt. Evans HH									
Pine Siskin				1			12	18		25
American Goldfinch		1	2		1				2	
(144) Lesser Goldfinch					1					
Green-tailed Towhee			2	1	5		4			
Rufous-sided Towhee			7		14		1			
Lark Bunting	300	40							60	
Savannah Sparrow										15
Grasshopper Sparrow		19							8(3imm)	
Vesper Sparrow			18		1		2		1	2
Lark Sparrow			2						12	
Gray-headed Junco				4			6	16		5
Chipping Sparrow			2	7		2	12		3	
Brewer's Sparrow	4(nest with 4 young)								2	
White-crowned Sparrow								3		2
Lincoln's Sparrow								3		1
Song Sparrow		1	1		3		5			
McCown's Longspur	10 (1 nest with 2 eggs)									
Chestnut-collared Long.	8 (1 nest with 4 young)									
TOTAL SPECIES	23	62	46	21	28	13	46	25	64	36

(First migrant of season
) Last migrant of season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Merle Barbour, Henry & Vi Bossman, Bob Buttery, John Cooper, Harold Holt, Lillian McDonough, Mildred O. Snyder.

Note Due to high water in all plains reservoirs the shorebird migration is practically nil. (Editor)

* Unusual Behavior of Long-eared Owl at Franktown, Colo.

On July 1, 1970 while making a round of my nest study area I heard a call farther on in the woods that I first thought was a hawk, but I didn't recognize it, so I followed it. It kept going farther on in the woods, but not very far at a time, so I decided I must be near a nest or young, and it was luring me on. Storm clouds were gathering and I decided I had better leave, but as I stood in this small opening, just looking, the parent flew down to a 3 ft. high stump, puffed up, and swayed from side to side, and with binoculars I could see the feet being lifted alternately. It made me think of the way one might waddle when trying to make a mud pie with one's feet. Then after a bit it dove off the stump toward a spot behind some brush about 3 ft. from the stump. I walked forward and looked in the area, soon it flew off about 35 ft., fluttered to the ground and really put on quite a defense display. It puffed up, swayed from side to side, wings stretched out, I called it the broken wing act, but I read later that Bent's book calls it the wounded bird act. In Bent's book Grinnell & Storer (1924) said he has never seen this wounded -bird-act done by any other bird of prey. He describes it as the fluttering of wings, and to trod vigorously with a rocking motion as though sinking it's claws deeply into the victim. I turned back and when about 50 ft. back I hesitated for some unknown reason, looked up in the pine and here sat a half grown baby owl, standing real tall and thin on a branch, trying to look like a broken-off branch!

Mildred O. Snyder

! Bendire's Thrasher

On June 9, 1970, while doing field work on the Comanche National Grassland about 14 miles southwest of Timpas (SW of La Junta), Otero County, Colorado (E 1/2 Sec. 25, T27S, R59W, 6th Principal Meridian), I saw what I thought was a Burve-billed Thrasher fly into a Rocky Mountain juniper tree about 100 yards from where I was working. When I later examined the tree, the bird flushed and I discovered a nest, built of Russian thistle, juniper twigs and grass, located 5 1/2 feet above the ground. I photographed the nest which contained 5 greenish, spotted eggs. Using a pickup truck as a blind and a 30x Balscope, I was able to observe the bird for about 15 minutes at a distance of about 75 feet. To my surprise the bird had a straight bill and yellow eye, was grayish brown above and had a faintly spotted breast. These markings and the lack of distinct wing bars, white-tipped outer tail feathers, and orange eye convinced me that the bird was not a Curve-billed but a Bendire's Thrasher, which I had not seen since 1967 in Arizona. And identical, current year's nest was found about 75 feet south of this nest. It was empty and showed no sign of disturbance or use.

Robert F. Buttery

\+ Veery Nest

About noon July 16, 1970, my wife and I observed an adult Veery repeatedly carrying food into a tangle of low gooseberry and wild rose bushes at the Chaseville Campground, along the North Fork of the South Platte River at Santa Maria, Park County, Colo., elevation 8,600 feet. The locality was on a dry bank covered with low deciduous bushes and sparse dwarf maple about 50 yards south of the river. The Veery, evidently of the race ordinarily found in Colorado, had uniform and fairly bright reddish brown upper parts, buffy breast with small indistinct brown spots on upper part, white belly, and no perceptible eye ring. We realized that the bird probably had a nest in the bushes but did not look for it at the time as we did not then realize how few Veery nests had been found in Colorado. That evening I learned from Bailey and Niedrach (Birds of Colorado, 1965, p. 625-626) that only three Veery nests had been reported in the state, the last June 13, 1884; and so we returned the following morning and found the nest, which contained 3 fairly large young, about a foot above the ground in a thick gooseberry bush. The adult bird was disturbed by our presence near the nest and flew into a dwarf maple about 15 feet away uttering low alarm notes but not indulging in broken-wing or other diversionary tactics. The Veery was still feeding the young and removing their excrement when the locality was revisited at 8:00 A. M. July 22, 1970.

John R. Cooper

CORNELL NEST RECORDS:
How have you done with your nest records? It looks like we'll have a good year. Sixteen contributors have sent me 144 nests of 101 species so far. We should have a lot more. The birds are about through nesting, so think about getting your records together and to me. Cornell will be after me for them early in October and before I mail them we want to make duplicates for D. F. O. Some day one of us may want to publish a paper based on some of these records. Don't hesitate to phone me if you have any questions (757-0837). Nancy Hurley,

1875 S. Adams St., Denver, Colo. 80210.

NEW MEMBERS: Roger B. DeVries - Rt. 2, Box 222 - Parker, Colo. 80134
Mrs. Mary F. Cornelius - 6434 S. Prince St. - Littleton, Colo. 80120

* * * *

Please submit your 'Life Wanted List' now to Harold Holt for publication.
661 Wolff St., Apt. 102
Denver, Colo. 80204

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER 1970

Labor Day weekend camping trip

September 5, Saturday) Labor Day Weekend
6, Sunday) No Trips

12, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

Mushrooms - Michigan Co. Audubon 14th

13, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

19, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek and area lakes. Meet as on Sept. 13. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

20, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Sept.12. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

Sept 22 - 4th Tues - ? meeting

22. meeting - Donald Malick "Botswana"

Fri Sept 25 aud. film

26, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Prewitt Reservoir & Muir Springs. Meet as on Sept. 12. Jack Reddall, leader. *

27, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Sept. 12. Ray Olson, leader. *

BRING LUNCH *

* * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

* * * * * * * * * * * * * *

Coloradoans took an active part in the recent Conservation Summit at the YMCA Conference Grounds, sponsored by National Wildlife Federation. Dean of the Summit was Roger Tory Peterson, who led a bird walk each morning and lectured each afternoon on bird identification. Dr. Ryder and I were able to show him a new species for his life list - Brown-capped Rosy Finch - leaving only four North American birds he has not seen. Over 800 were registered for the very interesting sessions, which included (besides birds) tree and wildflower identification, geology, alpine ecology, wildlife ecology, backpacking techniques, nature art and photography, as well as sessions on air, water and land pollution and what the individual citizen can do. Hero of the week was Ron Ryder, who plunged into the swift Big Thompson River and saved two young girls from drowning.

Allegra Collister

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

Mrs. Christine Bonney
1460 Jasmine Street
Apartment 0
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 5, No. 12 Denver, Colorado September 1970

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
September 22, 1970
"Botswana"
by Donald Malick

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

NEW OFFICERS

1970-1971

President - Donald M. Thatcher
Vice-president - Robert F. Buttery
Treasurer - George Shier
Recording Secretary - Mrs. Henry Bossman
Corresponding Secretary - Mrs. Christine Bonney
Board of Directors - Ray Olson
Roy Coy
Nancy Hurley
Lynn Willcockson
Jack Reddall
Harold Holt
Editor - Harold Holt
Field Trip Chairman - Thompson Marsh

AUGUST 1970 FIELD TRIPS

August 2 - Red Rocks Park. Donald Thatcher, leader. (Fair, hot-4 hrs.) Sue Merrick, Mrs. Edith Schmechel. (33 species)

8 & 9 - Dead Man Lookout & Red Feather Lakes area. Lois Webster, leader. (Clear to partly cloudy) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, John Cooper, Joyce Cooper, Harold Holt, LaVona Holt, Nancy Hurley, Helen Stiles, Donald Thatcher, Dorothy Winn, Mark Winn, Roberta Winn, Vincent Winn. (50 species)

15 - Bergen Park, Echo Lake, Summit Lake, West Chicago Creek. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Cloudy, cool-8 hrs.) Alfred Bailey, Merle Barbour, Ward Chadwick, Mary Cornelius, John Ham, Viola Hubka, Mr. & Mrs. Randolph McDonough, Sadie Morrison. (36 species)

16 - Arsenal, Vaille Res., Barr L., Mile High Duck Club. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, 55° to 87°-9 1/2 hrs.) Dr. Bailey, Merle Barbour, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Bartell & Gail(Detroit), Charles Bradford, Mary Cornelius, Tim Fisher(Englewood), Grace Goble, LaVona Holt, Dee Hudson, Sue Merrick, Mike Morgan, Jack Reddall, Ann Shumaker, Margaret Sikes. (75 species)

22 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Cool, sunny-9 1/2 hrs.) Helen Bonnema, Christine Bonney. (43 species)

23 - Arsenal, Hudson, Banner Lakes, Prospect Res., Horsecreek Res. Jack Reddall, leader. (Clear to partly cloudy 55° to 87°-9 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, John Colvin, Bob Glover, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Holt, Cicely Mellor, Margaret Sikes. (71 species)

29 - Barr Lake area. R. E. Olson, leader. (Warm to 93°-9 hrs.) John Colvin, John Cooper, Bill Thordarson. (61 species)

30 - Evergreen, South Park, Jefferson, Boreas Pass. Winston & Sylvia Brockner, leaders. (Cloudy 42° to 75°) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Ward & Margo Chadwick, John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Patty Echelmeyer, Mr. & Mrs. Hillig(Hinsdale, Ill.), Viola Hubka, Randolph & Lillian McDonough, Sadie Morrison, David Schmitt, Mrs. Stotz & Diana, Douglas, Nancy, Zanah. (40 species)

August	2	8-9	8-9	15	16	22	23	29	30
AREA	RRP	DML	RFA	ECHO	BARR	PAWN	BANN	BARR	BORPASS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	MTS	MTS	PLAIN	PLN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
SPECIES									
Western Grebe					50		100	6	
Pied-billed Grebe					14		10	4	
Double-crested Cormorant					30		115	22	
Great Blue Heron					19	2	29	12	
Snowy Egret					4		13	7	
Black-crowned Night Heron					21		17	8	
Yellow-crowned Night Heron					3 adults			3(lad2imm)	
Mallard			4	8	130		4500	14	4
Gadwall			2		30		2	6	
Pintail					40		4	4	
Green-winged Teal					8		12		
Blue-winged Teal					39		2	6	
Cinnamon Teal					4		8		
American Widgeon					2		2	1	
Redhead					1				
Ring-necked Duck							(2 NEW EARLY REC.		
Ruddy Duck					4		23	4	
Common Merganser			3						
Turkey Vulture			2						
Goshawk		1		1					
Cooper's Hawk									1
Red-tailed Hawk			2		1	1	1	1	1
Swainson's Hawk					9	2	9	3	
Ferruginous Hawk						4			
Golden Eagle			3						
Marsh Hawk					3	15	6	11	1
Prairie Falcon			1						
Peregrine Falcon				(1	1 on 30th Lakewood RB				
Sparrow Hawk				1	4	12	14	9	1
Ring-necked Pheasant					11	4	14	4	
Virginia Rail					3		1	2	
Sora								2	
American Coot					49		186	58	4
Killdeer					13	6	87	16	
Common Snipe					1				
Spotted Sandpiper					2			3	
Solitary Sandpiper							1	1	
Greater Yellowlegs							4		
Lesser Yellowlegs					2		7	1	
Baird's Sandpiper					2	9	150	8	
Long-billed Dowitcher								5	
Stilt Sandpiper							20		
Semipalmated Sandpiper							1		
American Avocet					1	2	29	2	
Wilson's Phalarope			1			1			
California Gull			2		3		36		
Ring-billed Gull					26		275	16	
Franklin's Gull	100				41		1500	4	
Forster's Tern	1 on 16th C.C.R. MOS								
Black Tern					8		170	CC Res. 2JR	
Rock Dove	50				178		13		
Mourning Dove	3		2	2	85	100	127	15	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1 on 30th C. C. Res. JR								
Screech Owl								2	
Great Horned Owl	1				1				
Burrowing Owl					3		3	1	
Common Nighthawk			3			50			
Chimney Swift					2 S. Denver RG				
White-throated Swift	1								
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	2		10	16	1		2		2
Rufous Hummingbird									2
Calliope Hummingbird				2 Pinecliffe HH,JR					
Belted Kingfisher			1		3		1	2	
Red-shafted Flicker	5	2	4	2	7	6	3	6	1
Red-headed Woodpecker					5	1	1	2	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			4	1					1
Williamson's Sapsucker									1
Hairy Woodpecker			2						
Northern three-toed Woodpecker		5							
Eastern Kingbird					14	8	13	5	
Western Kingbird					37	30	48	20	1

August	2	8-9	8-9	15	16	22	23	29	30
AREA	RRP	DML	RFA	ECHO	BARR	PAWN	BANN	BARR	BORPASS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	MTS	MTS	PLAIN	PLN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
SPECIES									
Say's Phoebe					2				
Hammond's Flycatcher							(1		
Western Flycatcher						(2			
Western Wood Pewee			6	1	5	2	3	2	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher					(1				
Horned Lark						100	15	2	2
Violet-green Swallow	5		100	25					
Tree Swallow			100	30					
Bank Swallow			1		12			1	
Rough-winged Swallow					6		2		
Barn Swallow	1		3		83	50	35	34	
Cliff Swallow	8		15		5				10
Gray Jay		15	3	1					4
Blue Jay					1				
Steller's Jay			3	5					7
Black-billed Magpie	6			1	55	12	81	28	1
Common Raven				3					
Common Crow				7	13				
Clark's Nutcracker		12	3	13					3
Black-capped Chickadee				2	10	4	2	4	1
Mountain Chickadee		10		7					9
White-breasted Nuthatch		1	5	1					
Red-breasted Nuthatch		3	2	1	1 on 11th Lakewood JC				
Pigmy Nuthatch			2						12
Brown Creeper		3							
House Wren	1		4		1		1		
Canon Wren	3								
Catbird	4								
Brown Thrasher						1			
Sage Thrasher					(1	1			
Robin	10	7	15	5	3	1	3	8	1
Hermit Thrush				3					1
Western Bluebird	8 on 7th Sedalia MOS								
Mountain Bluebird			25	10					14
Townsend's Solitaire			1						
Golden-crowned Kinglet					Idaho Springs J. Colvin				3
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		7		14					1
Water Pipit		8		25					6
Loggerhead Shrike					2	15	17	8	
Starling					67	12	256	22	
Warbling Vireo	4								
Prothonatary Warbler							1 Blackhawk PH		
Virginia's Warbler	2								
Yellow Warbler	1				3	1	2		
Audubon's Warbler		8		2					
Townsend's Warbler						(3			1
MacGillivray's Warbler						(1		3	1
Yellowthroat					6		9		
Yellow-breasted Chat	6								
Wilson's Warbler			1	8		(2		3	4
American Redstart					1	6		1	
House Sparrow	20				96	20	175	37	
Western Meadowlark	5				76	100	108	10	1
Yellow-headed Blackbird					26		25	8	
Redwinged Blackbird			5		46	3	27	20	
Bullock's Oriole	1								
Brewer's Blackbird			3		9				16
Common Grackle					5		8	6	
Western Tanager			1						
Black-headed Grosbeak	3								1
Blue Grosbeak							1	C.C.Res.4JR	
Indigo Bunting	1								
Lazuli Bunting	10								
Cassin's Finch		2							1
House Finch	19				3		3	12	
Pine Grosbeak		3		4					9
Brown-capped Rosy Finch				55					
Pine Siskin	1		12	3					
American Goldfinch	1					1		2	
Lesser Goldfinch	1								
Red Crossbill		9							

August	2	8-9	8-9	15	16	22	23	29	30
AREA	RRP	DML	RFA	ECHO	BARR	PAWN	BANN	BARR	BORPASS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	MTS	MTS	PLAIN	PLN	PLAIN	PLAIN	MTS
SPECIES									
Green-tailed Towhee	2								4
Rufous-sided Towhee	18								
Lark Bunting					171	1000	241	14	
Savannah Sparrow							3		1
Grasshopper Sparrow						3			
Vesper Sparrow					2	1	1		
Lark Sparrow		1	1		28	30	18	10	1
Gray-headed Junco		5	4	62					9
Chipping Sparrow	2		15	1	6	6	18	44	1
Clay-colored Sparrow					(1			6	CCR70JR
Brewer's Sparrow							2		
White-crowned Sparrow				10					
Lincoln's Sparrow				14					
Song Sparrow	1			1	1		8		
McCown's Longspur						40			
TOTAL SPECIES 157	33	18	40	36	75	43	71	61	40

(First migrant of season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Robert Buttery, John Cooper, Robert Glover, Harold Holt, Phyllis Howe, Jack Reddall, Mildred O. Snyder.

NEW MEMBER: Mrs. William F. Stotz - Rte. 3, Box 3 - Evergreen, Colo. 80439

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS: It looks like we are going to have a great collection of nest records for Cornell. Many of you have sent in interesting reports. Thank you. But I know there are more to come. I can't really pull them together for our records until I have the rest. The September meeting is the deadline - the 22nd. If you can get them in the mail or phone them to me before so much the better. Please don't make me bug you. We want to keep copies here and you will have a summary in the monthly trip reports as soon as I can manage.

Nancy Hurley, 1875 S. Adams St., Denver, Colo. 80210 (757-0837)

BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD AT GOLDEN

On August 7, 1970 at approximately 3:30 P. M. Marie and I were standing at our picture window (east side of house) looking out when a large hummingbird came and hovered at some yellow daisies (Anthemis) and Red Phlox in our window box just outside. At once we were conscious of its large bright yellow bill and its dull buffy underparts and brownish tail. It had a greenish back but we did not notice the throat. We watched it moving from one flower to another for about 30 seconds and then it left. The yellow bill was most predominate, as it looked like a golden needle. Upon the bird leaving we checked the book and on the Buff-bellied has the bill and colors we saw.

George Shier

This ia a first for Colorado and according to the A. O. U. checklist it is found only in the Brownsville, Texas area.

Editor

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

'LIFE WANTED LIST' must be sent to the editor now for publication next month.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 1970

October 3, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Daniel's Park, Sedalia, Jackson Creek. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, U.S. 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Bob Spencer, leader. *

4, Sunday, 9:00 AM. Empire, Chicago Creek, Squaw Mt. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. George Shier, leader. *

10, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Buckhorn Creek & Lakes of area. Mett as on Oct. 4. Dave Hutchinson, leader. *

11, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Red Rocks. Meet as on Oct. 4. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

17, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Meet as on Oct. 4. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

18, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

24, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Prewitt Reservoir (Sandhill Cranes?) Meet as on Oct. 18. Jack Reddall, leader. *

25, Sunday, 7:00 AM. STANDARD TIME. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Oct. 18. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

31, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr and Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Oct. 18. Joe & Marian Borden, leaders. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * * * * *

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

DENVER SEP 17 '70 COLO. U.S. POSTAGE .06 PB METER 874262

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 6, No. 1 October 1970
Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
October 27, 1970
"Winged Protectors of Forest and Range"
U. S. Forest Service Slide-Tape

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

LOST: Change purse with driver's license, Mrs. Virginia Boschen, at Barr Lake. If anyone finds it, please call Don Thatcher, 455-7479.

SEPTEMBER 1970 FIELD TRIPS

September 12 - Barr Lake, Mile High Duck Club. Harold Holt, leader. (Cloudy, cold 50°-9 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Ward Chadwick, Margo Chadwick, Lori Chappell, John Cooper, Joyce Cooper, LaVona Holt, Viola Hubka, Dave Hutchinson, Steve Larson, Leon & Dorothy Miller-Greeley, Jack Reddall, Mrs. Stotz & Douglas Stotz-Evergreen, Mrs. Widleman & Mr. Widleman-Tucson. (96 species)

19 - Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Sadie Morrison, leader (Warm, sunny, very little wind-9 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Helen Bonnema, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Clara Hassig, Viola Hubka, Randolph & Lillian McDonough, Margaret Miller, Paul & Katherine Mungan, Paul & Becker Smith, Ruth Wheeler, John, Karla & Kent Wilson. (45 species)

20 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (partly cloudy, windy in P. M.-7 hrs.) Ted & Ruth Dement, Glenn, Carolyn & Elizabeth Halusha, Jane Kragh, Margaret Sikes, Don & Hazel Thatcher. (44 species)

26 - Prewitt Reservoir. Jack Reddall, leader. (Clear, 32°-65°-11 hrs.) Bob Andrews, Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Lori Chappell, Harold Holt. (89 species)

27 - Barr Lake only. R. E. Olson, leader. (39°-65°-5 hrs.) Bernice & Paul Merry. (45 species)

September	12	19	19	20	26	27
AREA	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	PREW	BARR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES						
Common Loon					1 (Early)	
Eared Grebe	1				1	
Western Grebe	147				16	46
Pied-billed Grebe	23	10			33	12
White Pelican					120	
Double-crested Cormorant	27				18	18
Great Blue Heron	23			1	36	11
Green Heron	1 on 22nd SE Denver RA			1		
Common Egret	1 on 21st Barr MOS		1 on 24th Barr HH			
Snowy Egret	17				3	5
Black-crowned Night Heron	19			1		
American Bittern					MHDC JR	1
White-faced Ibis	1)					
Canada Goose		55				
White-fronted Goose				(Early)	1 imm.	
Snow Goose				1 (Early)		
Mallard	1806	10	2	6	500	48
Gadwall	34	7			6	27
Pintail	94				50	22
Green-winged Teal	8				50	
Blue-winged Teal	53	5		2	30	

September	12	19	19	20	26	27
AREA	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	PREW	BARR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES						
Cinnamon Teal	4					
American Widgeon	18	2		1	170	6
Shoveler	3				300	2
Redhead	7				40	12
Ring-necked Duck					8	
Ruddy Duck	19				75	20
Turkey Vulture	1 on 5th C. C. Res. JR					
Goshawk	1 on 23rd Flagstaff Mt. Boulder LG					
Sharp-shineed Hawk		1 MHDC on 27th JR			1	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	1	1	1	9	
Broad-winged Hawk	(1 on 23rd Barr JR				MHDC JR	1
Swainson's Hawk	3				1 MHDC JR1	
Rough-legged Hawk			1 at Hudson on 26th3			
Ferruginous Hawk				2		
Golden Eagle			1	1		
Marsh Hawk	5			5	9	1
Osprey		1 BowMar HH				
Prairie Falcon	1 on 4th Jackson Res. JR		1 Prewitt Res. JR			
Pigeon Hawk		2 Prewitt Res. JR				
Sparrow Hawk	10	2	1	9	11	3
Bobwhite					47	
Ring-necked Pheasant	4			1	1	
Chukar	1 on 27th E. Aurora JR					
Sandhill Crane	3	15 Prewitt Res. JR				4
Sora	1 on 6th MHDC JR					
American Coot	141	55			200	
Semipalmated Plover	1 on 5th C.C.Res.JR	5				
Killdeer	62	20	2		10	6
Golden Plover	1 on 19th Prewitt Res. JR	(1 on 27th Prospect R.JR			1	
Black-bellied Plover		3 Prewitt R. JR		5 on 28th CCR MOS		
Ruddy Turnstone	(1)				1	
Common Snipe	6	1				
Long-billed Curlew	1) on 5th CCRA JC					
Spotted Sandpiper	3					
Willet					1	6
Greater Yellowlegs					3	
Lesser Yellowlegs	11	12			2	
Knot	(1	1) on 16th MHDC JW	NEW LATE RECORD			
Pectoral	3					
White-rumped Sandpiper	1					
Baird's Sandpiper	81				30	7
Least Sandpiper	12				5	
Dunlin		(1 MHDC JR				
Long-billed Dowitcher	16				21	
Stilt Sandpiper	14					
Semipalmated Sandpiper	5				1	
Western Sandpiper	2				1	
Marbled Godwit					1	
Sanderling	1 on 4th Jackson Res. JR				25	
American Avocet	42				25	
Wilson's Phalarope	2					
Northern Phalarope	3 on 5th CCRA JC				2	
Pomarine Jaeger		1 imm. Prewitt Res. JR				
Parasitic Jaeger	1 imm. on 10th Erie SL, also at Barr from 19th-23rd,seen by					
California Gull	11				30	many
Ring-billed Gull	18				1200	13
Franklin's Gull	94	89			35	50
Forster's Tern	3				2	
Black Tern					7	
Rock Dove	20		20		54	6
Mourning Dove	42		6	200	24	15
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1)on 5th CCRA JC					
Great Horned Owl				1		
Burrowing Owl	14 on 5th CCRA JR			1		
Long-eared Owl						1
Boreal Owl	1 on 6th W side Kebler Pass 9200' (W. of Crested Butte) HH					
Common Nighthawk	1 on 5th CCRA JR	5 on 30th E Denver HH			3	
Chimney Swift		2 N Denver HH				
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	1) on 28th Franktown MOS					
Rufous Hummingbird	1 on 8th SW Denver JW					
Belted Kingfisher	1		1		3	1

September	12	19	19	20	26	27
AREA	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	PREW	BARR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES						
Yellow-headed Blackbird	7	2		26	2	JR MHDC 40
Redwinged Blackbird	432	45	6		83	85
Bullock's Oriole	1)					
Brewer's Blackbird	1	16	2	3		
Common Grackle	16				6	15
Western Tanager	4	2 on 28th Longmont AC		2	1	
Black-headed Grosbeak	2 on 6th Barr JR	2) on 22nd Longmont AC				
Blue Grosbeak	11) on 5th CCRA JC					
Lazuli Bunting	8 on 5th CCRA JR	1) on 17th Longmont AC				
Evening Grosbeak			10			
House Finch	8					5
American Goldfinch	3				3	8
Lesser Goldfinch		8	30	1 on 29th Longmont AC		
Green-tailed Towhee		1	2	1		
Rufous-sided Towhee			2		1	
Savannah Sparrow	2					2
Vesper Sparrow	8	8		300	28	
Lark Sparrow				1		
Oregon Junco	(1 on 25th Longmont AC				2	
Gray-headed Junco	(1 on 25th Longmont AC					
Chipping Sparrow	21		12		3	3
Clay-colored Sparrow			2		1	
Brewer's Sparrow	4			8		
White-crowned Sparrow	1	(1 on 11th Longmont AC			4	6
White-throated Sparrow	(1 on 30th Longmont AC					
Lincoln's Sparrow	(1					
Song Sparrow					1	
McCown's Longspur				30		
Chestnut-collared Longspur				6		
Total Species 192	96	30	30	44	89	45

(First of the season
) Last of the season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Robert Andrews, Robert Buttery, Allegra Collister, John Colvin, Patty Echelmeyer, Libbey Goodwin, Harold Holt, Steve Larsen, Sadie Morrison, Jack Reddall, Mildred O. Snyder, Lois Webster, Jean White.

NEW MEMBERS: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Mungan- 165 W. Belleview #202 - Englewood 80110
S. Paul Smith - 720 23rd St. - Denver 80205
Charles M. Bradford - 517 E. Iliff Ave. - Denver 80210
Mr. & Mrs. Roy A. Gruver - 522 E. 14th Ave. - Denver 80203
Ralph Sargent, Jr. - 160 Race St. - Denver 80206

ADDRESS CHANGE: Mike Morgan - 1916 Cherry St. - Denver 80220
Mrs. Philip Hendricks & Paul - 956 Yale Dr. - Bartlesville, Okla. 74003
Ruth Deffenbaugh - Box 236 - Estes Park 80517

* * * * *

CORNELL NESTING RECORD PROGRAM:

I wish to extend thanks to the 36 people who sent in records for this program. They reported 507 nests, representing 101 species. A banner year for Colorado and the Denver Field Ornithologists! I will give you more details in a later report, which I hope will spur you on to an even better season in 1971.

Nancy Hurley - 1875 S. Adams St. - Denver 80210

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

September	12	19	19	20	26	27
AREA	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	PREW	BARR
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES						
Yellow-shafted Flicker	1 on 27th MHDC JR					
Red-shafted Flicker	21	2	8	3	26	8
Red-headed Woodpecker		1 Prewitt Res. JR				
Lewis' Woodpecker				Longmont	1 AC	
Hairy Woodpecker					1	
Downy Woodpecker	5		3		1	1
Western Kingbird	3					1)
Cassin's Kingbird	1 on 22nd Arsenal LW 1)Horse Cr. Res. JR NEW LATE					
Ash-throated Flycatcher	(1) on 29th Longmont AC			RECORD	2	
Say's Phoebe			2	1	Arsenal JR	2
Traill's Flycatcher	1 on 6th MHDC JR 1) on 28th Longmont AC NEW LATE RECORD					
Least Flycatcher	(1) on 6th Longmont AC					
Hammond's Flycatcher	1)					
Dusky Flycatcher	(1) on 2nd Longmont AC					
Western Wood Pewee	3	2)	2			
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1)					
Horned Lark	4			1000	19	
Violet-green Swallow	1)					
Bank Swallow	5)					JR
Rough-winged Swallow	3				1	MHDC 1)
Barn Swallow	33	15		30	110	32
Cliff Swallow		23)				
Blue Jay					13	2
Steller's Jay			2			
Scrub Jay			3			
Black-billed Magpie	82	10	7	20	50	26
Common Crow					3	
Pinon Jay	3 on 28th Franktown MOS					
Black-capped Chickadee	7	6	16	1	4	12
Mountain Chickadee	(1 on 18th Longmont AC					
White-breasted Nuthatch	2					
Red-breasted Nuthatch					2	
Dipper			1			
House Wren	2				3	
Rock Wren	(1			3	9	
Mockingbird						MHDC JR 1
Catbird	1 on 4th Goodrich JR			1		
Brown Thrasher	1			2		
Sage Thrasher	1			8		MHDC JR 1
Robin	1	7	29	1	7	2
Hermit Thrush	(1					
Swainson's Thrush	1 on 27th MHDC JR					
Mountain Bluebird			1	Horse Cr. Res. JR		3
Townsend's Solitaire					3	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				1		
Water Pipit	(3 on 25th Lakewood RB				2	
Cedar Waxwing	1 on 4th Jackson Res. JR				9	
Loggerhead Shrike	1			4		
Starling	305	61	10	50	1100	16
Solitary Vireo	(1 on 9th Wheatridge PE 1 on 13th Barr HH 1 on 19th Prewitt JR					
Warbling Vireo	2 1) on 21st Longmont AC 2					
Worm-eating Warbler	1 on 13th Lyons SM 2ND FALL RECORD					
Tennessee Warbler	2					
Orange-crowned Warbler	1				1	
Virginia's Warbler	(1 on 8th Longmont AC					
Yellow Warbler	1) on 8th Longmont AC					
Magnolia Warbler	(1 on 13th Barr HH NEW EARLY RECORD					
Black-throated Blue Warbler	(1 on 28th Longmont AC					
Myrtle Warbler	(1					
Audubon's Warbler	(16				3	4
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1 on 21st Aurora MOS (Banded) 2ND FALL RECORD					
Townsend's Warbler	6			3		1
Chestnut-sided Warbler	(1 1) on 28th Longmont AC 2ND & 3RD FALL					
Northern Waterthrush	(1 on 5th Longmont AC 1) on 8th in Backyard JRECORDS					
MacGillivray's Warbler	7				1	
Yellowthroat	1 on 23rd Longmont AC					
Yellow-breasted Chat	1) on 30th Longmont AC					
Wilson's Warbler	8			6	7	3
American Redstart	1) on 4th Longmont AC					
House Sparrow	31	4	2	50	30	10
Western Meadowlark	46	3	2	250	120	5

'LIFER' WANTED LIST

Common Loon-RB
Red-necked Grebe-V&HB, MB, RB, JC, PE, JW
Little Blue Heron-RB, LH
Yellow-crowned Night Heron-RB, JW
Least Bittern-V&HB, MB, AC, JC, PE, LH
American Bittern-RB
Whistling Swan-V&HB, RS
White-fronted Goose-RB, LH
Snow Goose-LH
Ross Goose-V&HB, MB, RB, JC, JR
Black Duck-RB, AC, LH, JW
Greater Scaup-AC
Barrow's Goldeneye-RB
Old-Squaw-V&HB, RB
White-winged Scoter-V&HB
Surf Scoter-V&HB, MB, JW
Red-breasted Merganser RS
Goshawk-V&HB
Red-shouldered Hawk-LH
Broad-winged Hawk-RB
Bald Eagle-RS
Peregrine Falcon-LH
Pigeon Hawk-LH
Sharp-tailed Grouse-V&HB, PE
Chukar-V&HB
Turkey-PE, LH
Sora-RB
Semipalmated Plover-RB, LH
Piping Plover-RB, MB, PE, LH
Snowy Plover-LH
Golden Plover-RB, PE, LH, JW
Ruddy Turnstone-RB
American Woodcock-MB, AC, LH, JW
Long-billed Curlew-RS
Whimbrel-V&HB, JW
Upland Plover-PE,LH
Solitary Sandpiper-RB
Greater Yellowlegs-RB
Knot-V&HB, RB
Pectoral Sandpiper-RB
White-rumped Sandpiper-RB, AC, JC, RS
Dunlin-JW
Stilt Sandpiper-RB
Semipalmated Sandpiper-RB
Buff-breast. Sandp.-V&HB,RB,AC,PE,LH,JW,
Sanderling-RB JR
Black-necked Stilt-RB
Northern Phalarope-RB
Pomarine Jaeger-V&HB, RB, JC, PE, LH
Parasitic Jaeger-V&HB, RB, H&LH, JW
Glaucous Gull-V&HB, RB, PE, LH, JW
Sabine's Gull-V&HB, RB, LH
Common Tern-LH,JW
Least Tern-LH
Yellow-billed Cuckoo-LH
Black-billed Cuckoo-LH, RS
Flammulated Owl-V&HB,JC,PE,H&LH,GS,JW,JR
Snowy Owl-MB, CB, RB, PE, H&LH,GS,JW
Pygmy Owl-CB, V&HB, PE, LH
Spotted Owl-V&HB, MB,RB,AC,LH,MOS,JR,JW
Short-eared Owl-LH
Saw-whet Owl-V&HB,MB,RB,JC,PE,H&LH,RS,
Poor-will-V&HB,PE,LH,JR (MOS,JW
Calliope Hummingbird-V&HB, PE, NH, RS
Rivoli's Hummingbird-RB, LH, NH, JR
Red-bellied Woodpecker-AC, LH
N. three-toed Woodpecker-V&HB,JC,RS,MOS
Great Crested Flycatcher-LH
Ash-throated Flycatcher-LH
Least Flycatcher-LH
Hammond's Flycatcher-V&HB,PE,MOS
Dusky Flycatcher-V&HB, PE
Eastern Wood Pewee-LH
Vermilion Flycatcher-V&HB, LH

White-necked Raven-LH
Common Bushtit-V&HB
Winter Wren-V&HB, LH, JW
Long-billed Marsh Wren-RB
Sage Thrasher-V&HB
Varied Thrush-V&HB, MB
Wood Thrush-MB, RB, LH
Gray-cheeked Thrush-RB, JC, LH
Veery-RB
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher-LH
Sprague's Pipit-MB, JC, LH, JR, JW
Bell's Vireo-RB, LH
Yellow-throated Vireo-V&HB, MB, LH, JW
Red-eyed Vireo-RB, LH
Philadelphia Vireo-RB, PE, LH, JW
Prothonotary Warb.-V&HB, RB, LH, NH, JW
Worm-eating Warb.-V&HB,RB,AC,JC,PE,H&LH,
Golden-winged Warb.-V&HB,RB,LH (NH,JW
Parula Warbler-V&HB, RB, LH
Magnolia Warbler-JW
Black-throat.Blue Warb.-V&HB,RB,JC,LH,JW
Black-throated Gray Warbler-LH
Townsend's Warbler-V&HB
Black-throated Green Warbler-V&HB,RB,LH
Blackburnian Warbler-RB, LH, JW
Chestnut-sided Warbler-RB, LH
Bay-breasted Warbler-RB, LH
Blackpoll Warbler-LH, JW
Pine Warbler-V&HB, MB, RB, LH
Palm Warbler-RB, LH
Ovenbird-RB
Hooded Warbler-V&HB, RB, JC, LH, JW
Canada Warbler-MB, RB, AC, LH, JW
Rusty Blackbird-JW
Scarlet Tanager-LH
Summer Tanager-LH
Rose-breasted Grosbeak-LH
Blue Grosbeak-RS
Dickcissel-LH, RS
White-winged Crossbill-RB, LH
Grasshopper Sparrow-RS
Baird's Sparrow-RB, JC, PE, LH, RS, JW
Cassin's Sparrow-LH, RS
Sage Sparrow-V&HB, MB, RB, PE, LH, RS
White-winged Junco-RB, LH
Tree Sparrow-RB
Field Sparrow-LH
Golden-crowned Sparrow-V&HB, JW
White-throated Sparrow-LH
Swamp Sparrow-PE, LH, RS
Lapland Longspur-RB
Chestnut-collared Longspur-PE
Snow Bunting-MB, RB, AC, PE, LH, GS, JW

Merle Barbour 781-2904
Christine Bonney 322-1808
Vi & Henry Bossman 781-6855
Robert Buttery 986-0698
Allegra Collister 1-776-2694
John Cooper 237-4855
Patty Echelmeyer 233-4947
Harold & LaVona Holt 266-0844
Nancy Hurley 757-0837
Jack Reddall 771-5308
George Shier 279-1990
Mildred O. Snyder 366-7610
Robert Spencer 279-4682
Jean White 935-6934

We all would appreciate your calling us as soon as you get back from seeing our wanted birds, as some of us can go out during the day. Thank you and good seeing!

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 1970

November 1, Sunday, 8:00 AM. West Chicago Creek, Echo Lake, Squaw Mtn. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Patty Echelmeyer, leader. *

7, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Franktown & Elizabeth. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, US 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. John Cooper,ldr. *

8, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet as on Nov. 1. Don Thatcher,ldr.

14, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Buckhorn Creek. Meet as on Nov. 1. Dave Hutchinson, leader. *

15, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Rocky Mountain National Park. Meet as on Nov.1. Ray Olson, leader. *

21, Saturday, 9:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Meet as on Nov. 1. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

22, Sunday, 7:00AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

28, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Castlewood Dam, Castle Rock, Jackson Creek. Meet as on Nov. 7. Bob Spencer, leader. *

29, Sunday, 1:00 PM. BowMar and area lakes. Meet as on Nov. 7. Lynn Willcockson, leader.

* BRING LUNCH

A RUFF IN COLORADO

It was September 13, 1964, a Sunday, when a number of birders were out to Cherry Creek Reservoir 10 miles S. E. of downtown Denver. We had gone out to look for a Cattle Egret which had been seen on the previous Friday evening.

Many shorebirds were scattered around the mud flats. One in particular drew my attention as it was different from anything I'd previously seen. It was about the size and shape of a Pectoral Sandpiper, but was very buffy, with a few streaks in the flanks, and the back having a scaly appearance.

I photographed the bird well and for all these years tried to find someone to identify it, showing the color slide to many individuals with no definite success. This summer I obtained a copy of Peterson's Field Guide to Birds of Britain, and there illustrated very clearly was my bird. It was a Ruff female, sometimes called a Reeve. Since then the photo has been identified by other authorities, including Mr. Alan Baldrige who is Regional Editor for Audubon Field Notes for northern California. He was very familiar with the species while living many years in England.

This is a first record for the state, and brings the total species for the state to 451.

Harold R. Holt

* * * * * *

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 6, No. 2 Denver, Colorado November 1970
Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
November 24, 1970
"The Search for Safer Forest Insecticides"
of the U.S. Dept. Fish & Wildlife Service

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

OCTOBER 1970 FIELD TRIPS

October 3 - Daniel's Park, Castlewood, Jackson Cr., Jarre Canyon. Robert Spencer, leader. (Warm, clear-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Helen Bonnema, Ward & Margo Chadwick, Lori Chappell, Mary Cornelius, David Schmidt, John & Joyce Cooper, Margaret Denny, Robert Glover, Paul & Bernice Merry, Martha Ann Webber. (36 species)

4 - Empire, Squaw Pass. George Shier, leader. (Clear, warm, aspen full color-6 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Patty Echelmeyer, Viola Hubka, Marie Shier. (11 species)

10 - Sloan's Lake, lakes north of Denver to Buckhorn Creek. David Hutchinson, leader. (Rain, 40°-45°-7 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Chuck Campbell (Houston, Tex.), John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Cicely Mellor, Kathryn & Paul Mungan, David Schmitt. (54 species)

11 - Red Rocks Park. Donald M. Thatcher, leader. (Fair, mild-3 1/2 hrs.) Charles Bradford, Charles Campbell (Houston, Tex.), Marlene Lederer, Ann Schumaker. (20 species)

17 - Lower Bear Cr. to Morrison, Little Turkey Cr. to Willow Springs, Lakes of area. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Pleasant, slight breeze-9 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Bob Spencer, Ruth Wheeler, Vincent Winn. (57 species)

18 - Banner Lakes area. Paul Julian, leader. (Warm, sunny-7 1/2 hrs.) Lori Chappell, Joyce & John Cooper, Margaret Denny, Patty Echelmeyer, Leslie Julian, Paul & Be Merry. (48 species)

24 - Church Lake, Leyden, Bowmar. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Clear, breezy, 35°-70°-9 hrs.) Roberta Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Charles Bradford, Harold & LaVona Holt, Mary Robinson, Ann Schumaker. (46 species)

25 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Cold, clear, windy-7 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Mary Cornelius, Bob Glover, Viola Hubka, Jane Kragh. (23 species)

31 - Cherry Creek Res., Parker, Castlewood Dam, Elizabeth. Marion & Joe Borden, leaders. (Clear-8 1/2 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Dr. Ward Chadwick, Lori Chappell, Dorothy Heritage (Philadelphia), Beverly Hutchins. (27 species)

October	3	4	10	11	17	17	18	24	25	31	31
AREA	DP-J	EMP	LAKE	RRP	BEAR	MORR	BANN	LAKE	PAWN	CCRA	CAST
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	PL-F	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES											
Common Loon								(2			
Horned Grebe (1 on 4th CCRA	JR		3				4	4			
Eared Grebe	2				10	Jackson	Res.	JR			
Western Grebe							1	2			
Pied-billed Grebe			15		11		1	6			
White Pelican					5	Jackson	Res.	JR			
Double-crested Cormorant					13	Jackson	Res.	JR			
Great Blue Heron			11)								

October	3	4	10	11	17	17	18	24	25	31	31
AREA	DP-J	EMP	LAKE	RRP	BEAR	MORR	BANN	LAKE	PAWN	CCRA	CAST
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	PL-F	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES											
Green Heron							1				
Snowy Egret	1) Barr HH										
Mute Swan								4			
Canada Goose			30		12			174			
Snow Goose									1		
Mallard			160		47		25	127		2	
Gadwall			155		30		6	95			
Pintail			67		2		3	15			
Green-winged Teal			5		1		230	3	6		
Blue-winged Teal			6				2)				
Cinnamon Teal	1) on 9th CCRA JR										
American Widgeon			55		49		3	325		10	
Shoveler			80		4		2	16		4	
Wood Duck	3 on 9th Patrick Lake JC										
Redhead			60		1			49			
Ring-necked			18		3		5	108			
Canvasback	(1 on 4th CCRA JR		2					3			
Lesser Scaup	(4 on 3rd Barr HH		4					1			
Common Goldeneye					2	Jackson Res. JR					
Bufflehead		(2 on 9th CCRA JR			8		6	15		3	
Ruddy Duck	500 Barr HH on 3rd		35		3		12	5			
Hooded Merganser	(1 on 9th BowMar JC										
Common Merganser					1	Jackson Res. JR					
Sharp-shinned Hawk					1	Ft. Morgan JR					
Cooper's Hawk					1						
Red-tailed Hawk	6		6		2		5	2	4		
Harlan's Hawk		(1 CCRA JR									
Swainson's Hawk	1							1)			
Rough-legged Hawk							1		3	3	
Ferruginous Hawk	1								4		
Golden Eagle			2f			1			2		
Marsh Hawk			6		1		5	2	3	2	
Osprey	1 on 9th BowMar JC							1)			
Prairie Falcon									1		
Peregrine Falcon	1 on 5th Sedalia PE										
Sparrow Hawk	2		10				3	4	2		
Ring-necked Pheasant			2				15	1			
Sandhill Crane	7 Barr HH 4 on5th Sedalia PE200 Colo. GFP Manager										
American Coot			1500		206		25	820		7	
Killdeer			16		20		8	11	4		
Mountain Plover									3 VERY LATE		
Golden Plover								1)			
Black-bellied Plover	1 on 8th CCRA JR										
Common Snipe	1				5						
Spotted Sandpiper	1) Barr HH										
Greater Yellowlegs			4) on 8th CCRA JR			1 Jackson Res. JR					
Lesser Yellowlegs			16		1	1) on 28th Henrys L. JW					
Pectoral Sandpiper	3) on 9th CCRA JR										
Baird's Sandpiper			4)								
Least Sandpiper	1 on 9th CCRA JR										
Long-billed Dowitcher			16		2		7	8)			
Stilt Sandpiper	1) on 9th CCRA JR										
Semipalmated Sandpiper	3) on 14th CCRA MOS										
Western Sandpiper					1)						
Marbled Godwit	1 on 14th CCRA MOS NEW LATE DATE										
Sanderling	1 on 9th CCRA JR				3) on 14th CCRA MOS						
American Avocet			42		1	Jackson Res. JR					
Herring Gull							(2				
California Gull			2)								
Ring-billed Gull			325		11		600	28			
Franklin's Gull			750				200	100			
Sabine's Gull	CCRA(1 JR 2				1 on 14th CCRA MOS						
Rock Dove	5		65	200	23	70	3	30			
Mourning Dove	2		5		3 Waterton HK				2 WatertonHK		
Great Horned Owl	2 on 5th Wheatridge PE										
Burrowing Owl			2) CCRA JR								
Common Nighthawk	1) on 1st E. Denver HH										
Chimney Swift	5) on 7th Denver HK										
Belted Kingfisher					1			1			
Red-shafted Flicker	3	1	18	2	7	2	8	4	3	1	1
Lewis' Woodpecker	4										2

October	3	4	10	11	17	17	18	24	25	31	31
AREA	DP-J	EMP	LAKE	RRP	BEAR	MORR	BANN	LAKE	PAWN	CCRA	CAST
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	PL-F	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES											
Williamson's Sapsucker		1				1) NEW LATE DATE					
Downy Woodpecker					1						
Say's Phoebe	1) Barr HH										
Horned Lark	13						55		2000		
Barn Swallow	3 on 3rd Barr HH		12)								
Gray Jay		1									
Blue Jay	Few in Denver										
Steller's Jay	15	8		1		1					3
Scrub Jay	6			1		2					2
Black-billed Magpie	18	4	86	10	21	2	30	36	25	25	10
White-necked Raven	1 on 31st Waterton HK										
Common Raven	1			2							
Common Crow	3	3	3				6	4			
Pinon Jay	150 on 26th Franktown MOS										
Clark's Nutcracker		1									
Black-capped Chickadee	1			4	4	6	3				2
Mountain Chickadee	1	4		1							2
White-breasted Nuthatch	2										10
Pigmy Nuthatch	13			1 on 29th-31st Lakewood JC							
Brown Creeper	1										
Dipper					2 Waterton HK						
House Wren	1 on 31st Waterton HK NEW LATE RECORD										
Long-billed Marsh Wren					(2						
Canon Wren				1		1					
Rock Wren					1 Jackson Res. JR						
Mockingbird	1 on 31st Waterton JC										
Sage Thrasher	1) on 22nd E. Denver RA										
Robin	6	1	50f	20	2		7		10		
Hermit Thrush		1 CCRA JR			1) on 10th Waterton HK						
Eastern Bluebird							1)				
Western Bluebird	8		2 on 6th Franktown MOS								1
Mountain Bluebird	3					1	4)				
Townsend's Solitaire	1		1f						2		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet						1					
Water Pipit							1				
Cedar Waxwing	1 on 18th CCRA JR				11 on 21st SW Denver JW						
Northern Shrike							(1		1		
Loggerhead Shrike					1) Goodrich JR						
Starling	7		255		64		140	103	2	55	10
Black-and-white Warbler	1 Barr HH										
Orange-crowned Warbler			5 Waterton HK								
Nashville Warbler	1 on 27th E. Denver RA										
Myrtle Warbler	3 Barr HH						21 Ft. Morgan JR				
Audubon's Warbler	4			8	5		3				
Black-throated Green Warbler		1 on 27th E.Denver RA		1		1 on 31st Lakewood JC					
Palm Warbler						2					
*Yellowthroat		1) CCRA JR									
Wilson's Warbler					2) Waterton HK						
House Sparrow			25		2		100	14	12		35
Western Meadowlark	17		47		40		90	50	100		25
Yellow-headed Blackbird	3 Barr HH						2) NEW LATE DATE				
Redwinged Blackbird			362		451		1400	50			
Rusty Blackbird				(1 Sloan's L. RW							
Brewer's Blackbird			8		1		4)				
Common Grackle			36				11)				
Western Tanager	1) on 5th Wheatridge PE										
Cardinal	on 4th1 Ft. Collins J. Colvin										
Evening Grosbeak	2				4		9 on 31st Waterton HK				
Cassin's Finch				2							
House Finch	1		225		85	1	43	43		4	
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	1 Squaw Mtn. S										
Brown-capped Rosy Finch	1 Squaw Mtn. S										
Pine Siskin	36	7			15			24	4	2	20
American Goldfinch					1						
Lesser Goldfinch	7		15f	6	6)	3					
Rufous-sided Towhee	2		10f	9	1 Ft. Morgan JR				1) on 5th Wheatridge PE		
Savannah Sparrow	6) on 9th CCRA JR										
White-winged Junco				(1		1					
Slate-colored Junco	(4 Barr HH					1	1				
Oregon Junco			8f	2	41	8	5	6	6		2
Gray-headed Junco	1		15f	4	3			2			2

October	3	4	10	11	17	17	18	24	25	31	31
AREA	DP-J	EMP	LAKE	RRP	BEAR	MORR	BANN	LAKE	PAWN	CCRA	CAST
HABITAT	FOOT	MTS	PL-F	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES											
* MacGillivray's Warbler	1) on 25th Waterton HK NEW LATE DATE										
Tree Sparrow	(1 BarrHH 2f							10	4	7	
Chipping Sparrow	30		16f		14	4)					
Brewer's Sparrow		1) CCRA JR									
Harris' Sparrow	(2 on 20th Sedalia JC										
White-crowned Sparrow	3	7	25f	10	14	5	16	1		2	
White-throated Sparrow	2 Ft. Collins J.Colvin 1 on 17th Jackson Res.JR 1 on 31st Waterton HK										
Lincoln's Sparrow	1 on 15th Aurora MOS					1) on 20th Sedalia JC					
Swamp Sparrow					(1 Waterton HK						
Song Sparrow	5			1	5		5	4		2	
TOTAL SPECIES 160	36	11	54	20	47	19	48	46	23	18	13

(First of season
) Last of season

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Robert Andrews, John Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Harold Holt, Hugh Kingery, Jack Reddall, Mildred O. Snyder, Swunland, Ruth Wheeler, Jean White.

NEW MEMBERS: William & Jeanne Cassell - 5005 Bow Mar Dr. - Littleton 80123
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Ferrel - 2530 Stuart St. - Denver 80212
Ann Schumaker - 900 E. 8th Ave., #2 - Denver 80218

ADDRESS CHANGE: Dennis L. Carter - 543 Frey St. - Salem, Virginia 24153
Mary H. Robinson - 1121 Albion St. #904 - Denver 80220
Mr. & Mrs. James McCrum - 3450 S. Alton Way - Denver 80222

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS

The members of the Denver Field Ornithologists have done an excellent job of reporting on the 1970 nesting season for this program. Congratulations and keep up the good work. The following is a report on the species, nests, and our members who contributed the information on their findings on trips out of the state. In a later issue we will have the complete information for Colorado.

STATE	SPECIES	NESTS	CONTRIBUTORS
Arizona	5	5	3
California	1	1	1
Colorado	106	581	37
Florida	1	1	1
Iowa	3	4	1
Nebraska	1	1	1
New Mexico	3	3	1
Texas	1	1	1
Utah	1	1	1

Arizona: violet-green swallow - Colorado River - C. H. Bonney, cactus wren & cardinal - near Tucson - R. F. Lestina, pigmy nuthatch - Grand Canyon National Park and black-tailed gnatcatcher - Lukeville - D. W. Hutchinson.
California: Hutton's vireo - Tascadero - H. R. Holt.
Colorado: more details next time.
Florida: red-shouldered hawk - Sebring - H. E. Kingery.
Iowa: barn swallow & house wren - Mapleton, red-headed woodpecker - Missouri Valley - M. M. Lett.
Nebraska: mourning dove - Halsey - R. F. Buttery.
New Mexico: coppery-tailed trogon & Mexican jay - South Fork campground, Coronado National Forest, barn swallow - Bosque del Apache Wildlife Refuge - R. F. Lestina.
Texas: cardinal - San Antonio - R. F. Buttery.
Utah: downy woodpecker - Moab - H. J. Stiles.

Nancy Hurley

BLUE JAY-STELLER'S JAY HYBRIDS IN BOULDER

It has been reported that a Blue Jay and a Steller's Jay bred in the spring of 1969 in Boulder and raised 4 young which came to feeders. In 1970 one of the hybrids mated with a Steller's and raised 4 young which the parents also brought to feeders. This is a first record of these two species interbreeding. Be on the lookout for these hybrids.

Editor

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - DECEMBER 1970

December 5, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Rocky Mountain National Park. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Joe Borden, ldr. *

6, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Dec. 5. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

12, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Arsenal, Hudson, Prospect area. Meet as on Dec. 5. Harold Holt, leader. *

13, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

19, Saturday, Scouting Trips for Denver Christmas Count. See Dec. 26 trip list for areas and leaders' phone numbers.

Jack Welch, 7:00 AM., parking lot at Waterton. *
Sadie Morrison, 8:00 AM., 25th & Sheridan. *
John Cooper, 7:00 AM., Centennial Shop. Center, Belleview & Federal.*
Lynn Willcockson - call for arrangements. *
Bill Brockner - call for arrangements. *
Thompson Marsh, 5:00 AM., Dry Cr. Shopping Center, U.S. 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. *

20, Sunday, Scouting Trips for Denver Christmas Count. See Dec. 26 trip list for areas and leaders' phone numbers.

Don Thatcher, 7:30 AM. 25th & Sheridan. 1/2 day
Hugh Kingery, 7:30 AM. Dry Creek Shopping Center. *
Patty Echelmeyer - call for arrangements. *

22, Tuesday, Weldona Christmas Count. Don Thatcher, leader, 455-7479. Call for arrangements or for suggestions as to change of date. The count period is Dec. 22 - Jan. 3.

26, Saturday, Denver Christmas Count under the direction of Hugh Kingery. We will divide into several groups to count all the birds we can within our 15-mile diameter circle. We encourage all D.F.O. members to come along with one of the groups, whether you are beginners or whiz-bang birders. Come out for only 1/2 day if you like. National Audubon Society charges $1.00 for each listed participant. Call the leaders for arrangements for Hugh Kingery, 733-0351 if you want to know which group needs you.

The D. F. O. members greatly appreciate the many years that Hazel Thatcher and her family has hosted the Christmas Count compilation in her home. We have dined sumptiously on her hot wintertime dishes and nibbled cookies. We have always treasured the companionship in the Thatcher home. Thanks a lot! We agree with Hazel that 52 people (last year's people count) are too many to fit in her living room. But alas, such is the result of the population explosion. So---
This year we will meet to eat and compile at Wyatt's Cafeteria on the Mall at Bear Valley Shopping Center, Hampden (U. S. 285) & S. Sheridan. Everyone is welcome whether they went on the count or not.

1 -Red Rocks	Don Thatcher	455-7479
2 -Lower Bear Creek	Sadie Morrison	388-1488
3 -Marston-Bowles Lakes	Harold Holt	266-0844
4 -Lower South Platte River	John Cooper	237-4855
5 -Middle South Platte & Plum Cr.	Thompson Marsh	377-5380
6 -Upper South Platte	Jack Welch	789-3090
7 -Deer Creek	Lynn Willcockson	757-7000
8 -South Turkey Creek	Hugh Kingery	733-0351
9 -North Turkey Creek	Paul Julian	443-6133
10-Upper Bear Creek	Bill Brockner	674-4851
11-Willow Creek	Patty Echelmeyer	233-4947

27, Sunday, Evergreen Naturalists' Scouting trip for Christmas Count. Please call Mrs. Evelyn Edens, 674-5924 for territories or other information.

31, Thursday, Pikes Peak Christmas Count. Hugh Kingery, leader, phone 733-0351.

January 3, Sunday. Evergreen Naturalists' 2nd Annual Christmas Count. Meet at 7:30 AM. at the Evergreen post office. Bill Brockner, leader, phone 674-4851. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * *

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year, due and payable January 1. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

* * * * *

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

DENVER COLO. NOV 17 '70 PB METER P.D. 874262 U.S. POSTAGE .06

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS
OF THE

Denver Field Ornithologists

VOLUME 6, No. 3 Denver, Colorado December 1970
Harold Holt, Editor

NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The compilation after the Christmas Count on December 26 takes the place of our regular meeting. Everyone is invited to Wyatt's Cafeteria on the Mall at the Bear Valley Shopping Center, Hampden (U. S. 285) & S. Sheridan.

NOVEMBER 1970 FIELD TRIPS

November 1 - Fillius Park, Bergen Park, Echo Lake, W. Chicago Creek. Patty Echelmeyer, leader. (Snowing,cold-6 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, Joyce & John Cooper, Roy & Pam Gruver, Ron & Patsy Lestina, Gladys Peterson. (16 species)

7 - Cherry Creek Recreation Area, Castlewood Dam, Elizabeth. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Partly cloudy,35°-60°-8 1/2 hrs.) Roberta Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Helen Bonnema, Lori Chappell, John Flavin, Bob Glover, Cicely Mellor, Sadie Morrison, Jack Reddall, June Rynders, Helen Stiles. (57 species)

14 - Sloan's Lake, N. Denver Lakes to Buckhorn Creek Canyon. David Hutchinson, leader. (Snow AM,sunny PM 28°-45°-10 hrs.) (50 sp.)

15 - Estes Park, Rocky Mountain National Park. R. E. Olson, leader. (Clear 20°-5 hrs.) (12 species)

15 - Prewitt Res., Muir Springs, Jackson Res., Prospect Res. Jack Reddall (not a scheduled trip). (Slightly windy AM,9°-60°-11 hrs) (60 species)

21 - Lower Bear Creek to Morrison, Little Turkey Creek to Willow Spgs. Ranch, Lakes of area. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Warm, gusty winds at noon for 1 hr.-6 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Linda Broughton, Ward Chadwick, John & Joyce Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Mary Fischer, Beverly Hutchins, Dorothy Kinaman (New York), Dick Linstrom (Seattle), Thompson Marsh, Mary Robinson, Helen Tripp (California), Ruth Wheeler. (48 species)

27 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Clear, warm-6 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John Flavin. (27 species)

28 - Cherry Creek Res. to Franktown, Castlewood Dam, Castle Rock. Robert Spencer, leader. (Fair,warm- 8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, Robert Glover, Dr. Kenneth Hill, Beverly Hutchins, Dan Hutchins, Mr. & Mrs. Randolph McDonough, Thompson & Susan Marsh, Gladys Peterson, Margaret Sikes, Vincent Winn. (41 species)

29 - Bow Mar area. Lynn Willcockson, leader. (Clear to partly cloudy, 50°-3 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Bill & Jeanne Cassell & Susan & David, Mary Cornelius, John Flavin, Vi Hubka, George McFall, Sadie Morrison, David Schmitt, Ken & Kathy Whipple. (37 species)

The editor and typist wish to express our appreciation to those trip leaders who send in their reports promptly and in checklist order; it makes our work easier and enables you to receive your monthly report on time. The following information is what we actually need for the report: Date, Area, Leader, Some data on weather, Hours actually spent looking for birds, Observers legibly, Total species, and of course, your count of birds seen, preferably on the Denver area checklist. Thank you!!!

* * * * * * *

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

* * * * * * *

November	1	7	7	14	15	15	21	21	27	28	28	29
AREA	ECHO	CCRA	CAST	LAKE	RMNP	FT.M.	LAKE	MORR	PAWN	CCRA	CAST	BOW
HABITAT	MTS	PLN	FOOT	PLN	MTS	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN
SPECIES												
Common Loon		3				5				2		3
Horned Grebe		2				1	1					2)
Red-necked Grebe	3 on 28th Horsecreek Res. JR,HH NEW LATE DATE											
Eared Grebe						3	Horsecreek Res.- 2)JR,HH					
Western Grebe		7		4		16				2		
Pied-billed Grebe		1		4			2					
Dbl-crested Cormorant	1 on 28th Prospect Res. JC,HH,JR NEW LATE DATE											
Great Blue Heron	1 on 30th Bow Mar JC (wintering)											
Mute Swan												4
Canada Goose		3		38		450	2			105		250
Snow Goose						1	imm.Prospect 1					
Mallard		7		203		15000	11		6	4		113
Gadwall		1		3		2	30					26
Pintail				38		100	2					3
Green-winged Teal				7		1	2					4
American Widgeon		5		19		350	49					18
Shoveler		1		287		4	2					2
Wood Duck												11
Redhead		25		73		10	4					43
Ring-necked Duck				393								14
Canvasback				34						60		2
Lesser Scaup				13		100				4		12
Common Goldeneye	(4 on 10th Bowmar JC			17	8	300						16
Bufflehead				31			12			2		11
Old-squaw	(1 on 27th-29th C. C. Res. JR											
White-winged Scoter	(1 on 27th-28th C. C. Res. JR											
Surf Scoter						3	imm. Prewitt Res.					
Ruddy Duck		10		35		6	2			4		
Hooded Merganser	2 on 24th Bowmar JC			4 on 29th CC Res. JR					1 CCResJR			
Common Merganser				9		350			18	10		46
Red-breasted Merganser												(2
Red-tailed Hawk		1	3			4			4	3	2	1
Harlan's Hawk				1								
Rough-legged Hawk		4				8			18	4		1
Ferruginous Hawk						1			5	1		
Golden Eagle	1	1	1						10			
Marsh Hawk		3	1	7		6			5	2		1
Prairie Falcon				1		1			5	1		
Pigeon Hawk	1 on 12th Lakewood JC					1			2			
Sparrow Hawk		2		13	1	4				1		
Ring-necked Pheasant		1		2		1	3		2	1		
American Coot		150		382		3	32			38		22
Killdeer				2		2	10					
Common Snipe							3					
Pomarine Jaeger				NEW LATE DATE					imm. by size			1
Parasitic Jaeger						1	adult Jackson Res. LATE					
Herring Gull						150	2			2		1
Ring-billed Gull		5		340		2600	20			720		500
Franklin's Gull		200		1								
Bonaparte's Gull						50						1)
Rock Dove		208		75		52	15	15				
Mourning Dove				1	2 on 18th Englewood RA wintering							
Great Horned Owl		2				1			1			
Short-eared Owl				1						2		
Belted Kingfisher				1		2		1				
Red-shafted Flicker	2	3	2	7		10	7	4		2		3
Hybrid Flicker (black whisker)				1								
Lewis' Woodpecker			4	1							1	
Hairy Woodpecker	1	1	2		1	1	1					
Downy Woodpecker	1	1				1		1			1	
Horned Lark		21		135		85			500	22		
Gray Jay	2				4							
Blue Jay			1			3				3		
Steller's Jay	10		10		8			1			2	
Scrub Jay			3					2			11	
Black-billed Magpie	3	7	14	63	2	33	12	2	20	20	5	19
Common Raven	3				1							
Common Crow		2	3	5	9	1					45	
Clark's Nutcracker					4							
Black-capped Chickadee		9	3	8		13	4		2	2		
Mountain Chickadee	8		1	2	11		1	4				

Pawnee National Grasslands (Pawn)

Platte Valley Barr Lake, Fort Morgan, Hudson, Platteville, Weldona (PltV)

Rocky Mountain National Park and Estes Park (RMNP)

Southeast Colorado Baca county, Bonny Reservoir, Hasty, Hugo, Karval, Timpas, Trinidad. (SeCo)

Waterton (Watn)

Totals (Tot)

CONTRIBUTORS: J. L. Abbott-1; M. E. Barbour-17; C. H. Bonner-1; C. H. Bonney-4; Vi Bossman-2; D. G. Buttery-1; R. F. Buttery-7; W. L. Chadwick-1; J. R. Cooper-2; W. A. Davis-1; L. R. Deweese-53; P. A. Echelmeyer-5; W. M. Echelmeyer-1; H. R. Holt-20; N. A. Hurley-47; D. W. Hutchinson-40; P. R. Julian-1; H. E. Kingery-37; C. E. Knittle-1; S. E. Larson-25; R. F. Lestina -5; M. M. Lett-14; T. G. Marsh-3; R. A. McDonough-1; B. E. Merry-3; S. A. Morrison-11; R. E. Pillmore-3; M. L. Richmond-35; G. R. Shier-10; G. M. Shickley-11; M. O. Snyder-148; R. A. Spencer-2; D. M. Thatcher-44; L. E. Webster-7; R. U. Wheeler-2; K. L. Whipple-2.

Species	BlkF	Denv	Dill	Divi	Foot	Mtns	Pawn	PltV	RMNP	SeCo	Watn	Tot
Pied-billed Grebe								1				1
Snowy Egret								1				1
Black-crowned Night Heron								1				1
White-faced Ibis								1				1
Mute Swan		1										1
Canada Goose		4			2							6
Mallard	5	1	1			1			2		1	11
Green-winged Teal				1								1
Blue-winged Teal		1										1
Sharp-shinned Hawk									1			1
Red-tailed Hawk						1	1		1			3
Swainson's Hawk		1					2	2		2		7
Ferruginous Hawk								1				1
Golden Eagle	1				1		1			1		4
Sparrow Hawk					1							1
Blue Grouse				1								1
Scaled Quail										1		1
Killdeer	1	1										2
Mountain Plover							5			1		6
Common Snipe					1			1				2
Spotted Sandpiper						1						1
American Avocet								1				1
Mourning Dove	3	5			2		8	3	1	4		26
Great Horned Owl	1						5	4				10
Flammulated Owl				1								1
Long-eared Owl	1	1										2
White-throated Swift					1							1
Belted Kingfisher					1						1	2
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	2			1		2			2			7
Red-shafted Flicker	1	4		13	2			2	2		1	25
Red-headed Woodpecker								1				1
Lewis's Woodpecker					3							3
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			1	6		3			1			11
Williamson's Sapsucker				2	1				1			4
Downy Woodpecker		2				1						3
Western Kingbird		12			1		1	1		1		16
Say's Phoebe		2			2			3			1	8
Eastern Phoebe										1		1
Hammond's Flycatcher			1									1
Empidonax									1			1
Western Flycatcher			1			4						5
Western Wood Pewee	4	1			2				3		1	11
Horned Lark							3		1			4
Violet-green Swallow			1	3	4	1			6			15
Tree Swallow				1	3	4			1			9
Bank Swallow					1						1	2
Rough-winged Swallow								1				1
Barn Swallow	1						6				1	8
Cliff Swallow		1			3	1	3			1	1	10
Blue Jay		1										1
Steller's Jay				1								1
Black-billed Magpie		5			1			3		2	2	13
Black-capped Chickadee								1				1
Mountain Chickadee				14		1						15

November	1	7	7	14	15	15	21	21	27	28	28	29
AREA	ECHO	CCRA	CAST	LAKE	RMNP	FT.M	LAKE	MORR	PAWN	CCRA	CAST	BOW
HABITAT	MTN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	MTS	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN
SPECIES												
White-breast. Nuthatch	1		2									
Red-breasted Nuthatch					2							
Pigmy Nuthatch	14		8									
Brown Creeper	1	1 on 5th Lakewood JC										
Dipper								5				
Mockingbird						1 wintering						
Brown Thrasher								1 wintering				
Robin		3				20	1					
Townsend's Solitaire			1				1				1	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	(1 on 5th Lakewood JC											
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1) on 4th Lakewood JC											
Water Pipit						8	NEW LATE DATE 2Prospect R.					
Northern Shrike	3	1			1	5			3		JC,JR	
Starling		29	57	575		1550	42	6	30	40	9	18
Myrtle Warbler	1 on 6th Lakewood JC						1)					
Audubon's Warbler	1) Lakewood											
Black-throat.Green Warb.	1 Lakewood 1 on 4th Deer Cr.SB 1) on 16th Longmont AC /											
MacGillivray's Warbler	1 on 12th Littleton RR (Feeder) also NEW LATE DATE											
House Sparrow	10	20		5		75		25	1	24		11
Western Meadowlark		8		53		75	6		20	21		
Redwinged Blackbird		33		65		1100	4		2			12
Rusty Blackbird							Horsecreek Res. 1 JC,HH,JR					
Brewer's Blackbird		1)										
Common Grackle	6 on 25th SE Denver TM											
Dickcissel	1 on 8th Englewood GW (backyard) only a 2nd wintertime record											
Cassin's Finch								6				
House Finch		46	3	188		8	97		1	17		3
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	(11 on 13th Castle Rock BS											
Black Rosy Finch	(1 on 25th Castle Rock BS											
Pine Siskin			255	15					15			
American Goldfinch			5	25		1	1		6	1		
Red Crossbill			12									
Rufous-sided Towhee			3	1 on 13th WheatridgePE				2			1	
Cassin's Sparrow	1 at Evergreen from 5th SB (1st RECORD FOR MTS.) VERY LATE											
White-winged Junco	2		1					2				
Slate-colored Junco				8		25		3	2	1		1
Oregon Junco		10	10	45		180		25	2	3		3
Gray-headed Junco	7		3	12				4		1		1
Tree Sparrow		9	17	18		40	6		4	6		
Harris' Sparrow		2		3						2		
White-crowned Sparrow		12		9		2	1					
White-throated Sparrow	1 on 23rd Wheatridge PE					1 imm.						
Song Sparrow		16				16	2					2
Lapland Longspur									8			
Total Species 114	16	42	27	50	12	60	35	18	27	34	10	37

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS: Roberta Ausfahl, Sylvia Brockner, Allegra Collister, John Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Harold Holt, Thompson Marsh, Jack Reddall, Robert Robinson, Bill Smith, Gary White.

COLORADO 1970 NESTING SEASON

for Cornell's Program

AREAS COVERED:

Black Forest including Castlewood Dam, Franktown, Kiowa, Parker, Sedalia (Column heading BlkF)

Denver including Aurora, Cherry Creek Recreation Area, Englewood, Lakewood, Leyden, Littleton (Denv)

Dillon (Dill)

Divide Pike National Forest near Divide and Florissant (Divi)

Foothills Boulder, Colorado Springs, Conifer, Genesse Mountain Park, Golden, La Porte, Loveland, Morrison, Red Rocks Park, Tinytown (Foot)

Mountains Bailey, Bergen Park, Eagle, Echo Lake, Grand Junction, Grand Lake, Idaho Springs, Jones Pass, Muddy Pass, Nederland, Rand, Red Feather Lakes, Saguache, Santa Maria, Squaw Mountain, Walden (Mtns)

Species	BlkF	Denv	Dill	Divi	Foot	Mtns	Pawn	PltV	RMNP	SeCo	Watn	Tot
White-breasted Nuthatch	2											2
Red-breasted Nuthatch			1	3								4
Pigmy Nuthatch	1			1	1	1			3			7
Brown Creeper				1								1
Dipper					2	1					1	4
House Wren	1	2		3	2	4		1	9			22
Canyon Wren					1							1
Mockingbird		1								1		2
Bendire's Thrasher										1		1
Robin		16	1	14	5	5		5	3		2	51
Swainson's Thrush									1			1
Veery						1						1
Western Bluebird	18				1							19
Mountain Bluebird	5		1	3	4	2			4			19
Townsend's Solitaire				4		2						6
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				2								2
Water Pipit						1			1			2
Loggerhead Shrike							2					2
Starling		11			1			1	1		3	17
Solitary Vireo	1				1							2
Red-eyed Vireo					1							1
Warbling Vireo				1	1	1			1			4
Virginia's Warbler					1							1
Yellow Warbler		2			1			1				4
Yellowthroat					1							1
Wilson's Warbler			1	1					1			3
House Sparrow		10						1				11
Western Meadowlark		1			1		2			1		5
Bullock's Oriole		3			4			4		1	1	13
Redwinged Blackbird					2			1				3
Yellow-headed Blackbird								1				1
Brewer's Blackbird	23	1										24
Common Grackle		2			1			4				7
Western Tanager	1			1	2				1			5
Black-headed Grosbeak	1	1										2
Evening Grosbeak		1										1
Cassin's Finch				1								1
House Finch	6	10				1						17
Pine Siskin					1				1			2
Lesser Goldfinch	1				1							2
Green-tailed Towhee					1				1			2
Rufous-sided Towhee	1											1
Lark Bunting							1			1		2
Lark Sparrow								1				1
Cassin's Sparrow										1		1
Grey-headed Junco			2	7		1			2			12
Chipping Sparrow	1											1
Brewer's Sparrow							1					1
White-crowned Sparrow			1						1			2
Lincoln's Sparrow				4					2			6
McCown's Longspur							3					3
Chestnut-collared Longspur							1					1
		104		90		40		45		20		581
Grand Totals	82		12		68		48		55		17	

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 661 Wolff St., Apt. 102, Denver 80204, phone 266-0844. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

* * * *

Regular membership is $4.00 per year, due and payable January 1. For other types of membership, please contact the Treasurer, George Shier, Rt. 1, Box 821, Golden, Colo. 80401, phone 279-1990.

* * * *

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - JANUARY 1971

January 2, Saturday, 7:30 AM, Empire, Georgetown, Guanella Pass (Snowshoes would make it more likely that Ptarmigan will be found at the Pass.) Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Vince Winn, leader. *

3, Sunday, 7:30 AM, Christmas Count by Evergreen Naturalists. Meet at Evergreen Post Office. Mrs. R. L. Edens, leader. *

9, Saturday, 7:30 AM Castlewood Dam, Castle Rock, Jackson Creek. Meet at Denver Museum of Natural History, north parking lot. Joe Borden, leader. *

10, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet as on Jan. 2. Don Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day.

16, Saturday, 9:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Meet as on Jan. 2. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

17, Sunday, 7:30 AM, west Chicago Creek, Echo Lake, Squaw Mtn. Lookout. Meet as on Jan. 2. Ray Olson, leader. *

23, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Jan. 9. Lynn Willcockson, leader. *

24, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Jackson Reservoir (for Bald Eagles). Meet as on Jan. 9. Jack Reddall, leader. *

30, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Jan. 9. Nancy Hurley, leader. *

31, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Jan. 9. Harold Holt, leader. *

* BRING LUNCH

* * * * * *

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
Denver Museum of Natural History
City Park
Denver, Colo. 80205

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey
4340 Montview Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80220